Distant Shores

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- 7.1 glow-worm (n) /gləʊ wɜːm/
 a kind of insect, the female of which produces
 a green light at the end of its tail At night, we
 could see the flickering lights of glow-worms in
 the bushes outside our tent.
- 7.2 shimmer (v) /'∫ɪmə(r)/
 shine brightly, esp on the surface of sth
 moving Moonlight shimmered on the ripples
 of the lake. ➤ shimmer (n)

Reading

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- 7.3 detox (v) /'dirtoks/
 detoxify; cleanse your body of harmful
 substances by following a certain diet and
 routine After the excesses of Christmas
 parties, Neil felt he had to detox from meats
 and sweets to get back in shape. ➤ detoxify
 (v), detox (n), detoxification (n)
- 7.4 prosperity (n) /pro'sperati/
 success and wealth The country's prosperity
 depends on the tourism sector. ➤ prosper (v),
 prosperous (adj), prosperously (adv)

 Syn: affluence
- 7.5 detrimental (adj) /ˌdetrɪ'mentl/
 damaging Plans for the construction of a
 hotel complex on the beach were opposed on
 the grounds that it would be detrimental to the
 environment. ➤ detriment (n), detrimentally
 (adv)
- 7.6 take the plunge (expr) /teɪk ðə plʌndʒ/
 decide to do sth risky despite being nervous
 about it They finally took the plunge and
 signed up for the Himalayan trek.
- 7.7 off the beaten track (expr) /vf ðə 'biːtən træk/
 in an isolated spot I stopped for the night a backpackers hostel off the beaten track in the Scottish Highlands.
- 7.8 answer for (phr v) /'aːnsə(r) fə(r)/
 admit responsibility for sth; make up for doing
 sth When the tiny island of Spinalonga
 became overrun with tourists, the locals
 felt the TV series filmed there had a lot to
 answer for.
- 7.9 simplistic (adj) /sɪm'plɪstɪk/
 making sth appear simpler than it is The
 government's plan to tax hotels even further is
 far too simplistic and will reduce revenues in
 the long term. ➤ simplify (v), simplification (n),
 simplistically (adv)

- 7.10 hear sth on the grapevine (expr) /hiər 'sʌmθiŋ ɒn ðə 'greipvain/ hear a piece of news from informal sources, through gossip I heard on the grapevine that the area is to become a designated nature reserve, but I'm not sure if it's true.
- 7.11 pristine (adj) /'pristiin/
 very clean and well maintained The white
 steps leading to the village church were kept in
 pristine condition.
- 7.12 seething (adj) /'siːðɪŋ/
 moving energetically in a large number The
 watermelon skin left on the beach was covered
 by a seething swarm of wasps. ➤ seethe (v)
- 7.13 begrudge (v) /bɪ'grʌdʒ/
 resent that sb has sth which you feel they don't
 deserve You shouldn't begrudge him taking
 a long holiday since he's been working so hard
 for years. ➤ begrudgingly (adv)
- 7.14 trappings (n) /'træpɪŋz/
 physical signs or decoration usually associated
 with sth The resort has all the trappings
 of a traditional British seafront town with its
 promenade and colourful beach huts.
- 7.15 sensibilities (n) /,sensə'bɪlətiz/
 sensitive feelings Detracting from the historic
 significance of the site, the tacky souvenir
 shops offended the sensibilities of the more
 discerning visitors. ➤ sensible (adj), sensibly
 (adv)
- 7.16 trickle down (phr v) /'trɪkl daʊn/
 move very slowly from the top to the lower
 levels Little of the income generated from
 high-end cruise ships has trickled down to the
 local ecomony. ➤ trickle (n)
- 7.17 make a dent in sth (expr) /maɪk ə dent ɪn 'sʌmθɪŋ/
 make a difference by reducing the amount of sth The mild winter made a dent in the takings at the ski resort as there was no snow on the slopes for weeks.
- 7.18 haggle (v) /'hægl/
 try to reach an agreement over a price After haggling over the extortionate taxi fare, the driver finally accepted the reasonable amount we offered.
- 7.19 novelty (adj) /'npvlti/
 unusual or out of the ordinary As the
 passengers disembarked, street sellers laden
 with novelty items awaited at the port. ➤
 novelty (n), novel (adj)

- 7.20 measly (adj) /'mixzli/
 disapprovingly small or insignificant The
 minimum wage was reduced to a measly three
 euros per hour.
- 7.21 add insult to injury (expr) /æd 'ɪnsʌlt tə 'ɪndʒəri/ make a bad situation worse Our train was delayed by six hours, and to add insult to injury, the station cafe had closed, so there were no refreshments available.
- 7.22 put one over on sb (expr) /put wʌn 'əʊvə(r) pn 'sʌmbədi/ fool (sb); deceive I'm sure the taxi driver put one over on us by taking us by the longest route to the museum.
- 7.23 voluntourism (n) /,volən'tʊərɪz(ə)m/
 a type of tourism that allows travellers to do
 voluntary work in countries they want to visit

 Voluntourism has attracted foreign visitors
 to assist with wildlife projects, such as the
 sea turtle rescue project in Greece.

 > voluntourist (n)
- 7.24 goodwill (n) /ˌgʊd'wɪl/
 helpful intentions towards others In a spirit
 of goodwill, Sue offered the homeless man a
 bottle of water and a sandwich.
- 7.25 exacerbate (v) /ɪgˈzæsəbeɪt/
 worsen a bad a situation That cream will
 only exacerbate your sunburn; try some
 yoghurt instead. ➤ exacerbation (n)
- 7.26 secluded (adj) /sɪ'kluːdɪd/
 in a place far away or sheltered from other
 people What had formerly been a secluded
 beach on our previous visits had been
 transformed into an exclusive spa complex.

 > seclude (v), seclusion (n)
- 7.27 spew (v) /spjuː/
 emit in large amounts Black smoke spewed
 out from the huge funnel of the ship.
- 7.28 cargo (n) /'kaːgəʊ/
 things transported in a ship or plane The
 precious cargo of antiquities was recovered
 from the shipwreck.
- 7.29 soapbox (n) /'səʊpbɒks/ a box or platform you stand on to declare your views in public ● Vicky's on her soapbox again about immigration.
- 7.30 imperialistic (adj) /ɪmˌpɪəriə'lɪstɪk/
 supporting the attitude that one country is
 inferior to another ruling power The Inuit
 are still up against the imperialistic notion
 that they all live in igloos. ➤ imperialism (n),
 imperialist (n)
- 7.31 discrepancy (n) /dɪs'krepənsi/
 a difference between things that should be the
 same The passenger was detained by police
 when the check-in staff noticed a discrepancy
 on his passport.

- 7.32 lax (adj) /læks/
 not strict We hastily exited the smoke-filled restaurant, appalled at the lax attitude to the anti-smoking laws.
- 7.33 ivory (n) /'aɪvəri/
 the hard whitish substance that forms the
 tusks of elephants and some other animals
 Melinda refused to touch her grandma's old
 piano, disgusted that the keys were made of
 real ivory.
- 7.34 turn a blind eye to (expr) /t3:n ə blaind ai tu:/
 pretend you don't notice sth Unwilling to turn a blind eye to animal abuse, Irene posted a video of the cruel donkey driver on her blog which went viral.
- 7.35 crackpot (adj) /'krækpɒt/
 unusual or crazy Brian's latest crackpot idea
 is to go swimming with whales. ➤ crackpot (n)
- 7.36 commendable (adj) /kə¹mendəbl/
 worthy of praise The hotel facilities and
 service were highly commendable; our stay
 was worth every penny. ➤ commend (v),
 commendation (n), commendably (adv)
- 7.37 implicit (adj) /ɪm'plɪsɪt/
 indirectly suggested Her ongoing support
 was implicit from the tone of her voice.

 > imply (v), implication (n), implicitly (adv)
- 7.38 blare (v) /bleər/
 make a very loud noise Music blared from
 the nearby nightclub till the small hours of the
 morning. >> blare (n)
- 7.39 souk (n) /suːk/
 a traditional Arab market We purchased an
 assortment of spices and a colourful rug at the
 souk.

Places brink province enclave souk foothill

Vocabulary

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- 7.40 oddity (n) /'pdəti/
 sth/sb that appears strange If the Tower of
 Pisa is ever returned to a vertical position, it
 could cease to become the oddity that attracts
 millions of visitors. ➤ odd (adj), oddly (adv)
- 7.41 rarity (n) /'reərəti/
 sth that's rare Asian restaurants were once
 a rarity in Greece, but now they are becoming
 more commonplace. > rare (adj), rarely (adv)

- 7.42 deciding (adj) /dɪ'saɪˌdɪŋ/
 that affects a result more than other things
 The weather forecast will be the deciding factor in their choice of destination for their winter beak. ➤ decide (v), decision (n), decisive (adj), decidedly (adv), decisively (adv)
- 7.43 desired (adj) /dɪ'zaɪəd/
 wanted The tour operator's advertising
 campaign had the desired effect and bookings
 began to pour in. ➤ desire (v), desire (n),
 desirability (n), desirable (adj), desirous (adj),
 desirably (adv)
- 7.44 dim (adj) /dɪm/
 vague; unclear Brad had a dim recollection
 of visiting the Parthenon twenty years earlier.
 >> dim (v), dimly (adv)
- 7.45 educated guess (n) /'edʒukeɪtɪd ges/ a guess likely to be correct based on existing knowledge • Making an educated guess, I'd say the kittens are about two months old.
- 7.46 narrow escape (n) /'nærəʊ ɪ'skeɪp/
 a situation where you only just avoid danger
 We had a very narrow escape when the plane almost crash landed on the trees close to the runway.
- 7.47 prime (adj) /praɪm/
 major; typical The temple was a prime
 example of sixth-century Greek architecture.
 >> prime (v), prime (n)
- 7.48 enclave (n) /'enkleɪv/
 a small area of a city or country where the
 community has a unique culture Women are
 not allowed to visit the monastic enclave on
 the rocky peninsula.
- 7.49 unsettling (adv) /∧n'setlɪŋ/
 worrying Seeing how the island's economy
 had deteriorated so drastically was an
 unsettling experience. >> unsettle (v)
- 7.50 influx (n) /'ɪnflʌks/
 the arrival of people or goods, etc. in large
 numbers Apart from the weekly influx of
 cruise passengers on their day trip, business
 has been very quiet on the island this year.
- 7.51 injection (n) /ɪn'dʒek∫n/
 a large amount of money put in to support a
 business, etc. Despite the injection of grants
 to develop tourism, small businesses have
 become unviable due to tax measures.

 ➤ inject (v)
- 7.52 short-sighted (adj) /∫⊃ːt 'saɪtɪd/
 not considering the possible consequences of
 sth It was a very short-sighted decision to
 turn up in the city without making a prior hotel
 booking. ➤ short-sightedness (n)
- 7.53 cautionary (adj) /ˈkɔːʃənəri/
 giving a warning His travel blog gave a
 cautionary tale explaining the hazards of
 travelling alone in the area. ➤ caution (v),
 caution (n), cautious (adj), cautiously (adv)

- 7.54 unbridled (adj) /∧n'braɪdld/ uncontrolled and excessive • The children's eyes shone with unbridled enthusiasm at the prospect of visiting Disneyland.
- 7.55 buzz (n) /b∧z/
 a strong and enjoyable feeling of excitement
 Motorcycle racing gives Richard a real buzz.
 > buzz (v)
- 7.56 out of this world (expr) /aut əv ðis wɜːld/ amazing; impressive The view from our terrace at sunset was out of this world.
- 7.57 out of the ordinary (expr) /aut əv ðə 'ɔːdnri/ strange or different ● The concept of an underwater hotel is somewhat out of the ordinary.
- 7.58 drive (sb/sth) out (phr v) /draɪvˈsʌmbədi/ ˈsʌmθɪŋ aʊt/ compel sb/sth to leave a place The last remaining villagers were driven out in the 1960s when the area was designated an archaeological site.
- 7.59 wipe out (phr v) /waɪp aut/
 destroy completely The emperor ordered the
 destruction of the temples to wipe out traces of
 the ancient polytheist religion.
- 7.60 dawn on (phr v) /dɔːn ɒn/
 finally begin to understand It suddenly
 dawned on us that we had missed the last bus
 to our hotel, so we hitched a lift from a kindly
 fellow tourist.
- 7.61 itinerary (n) /ar'tɪnərəri/
 a plan and schedule for a journey The fiveday itinerary includes a tour of UNESCO sites.
- 7.62 stumble upon (phr v) /'st∧mbl ∧pon/
 find by chance They happened to stumble
 upon the ruins of an ancient sanctuary when
 hiking in the wild cross country.

 Solution Also: stumble across

Phrasal verbs

answer for drive (sb/sth) out cling on to stumble upon come in for trickle down dawn on wipe out

- 7.63 tranquillity (n) /træŋˈkwɪləti/ the state of undisturbed quiet and peacefulness ● The tranquillity of the pine forest was shattered by a blast of loud music blaring from a parked camper van. > tranquillise (v), tranquilliser (n), tranquil (adj)
- 7.64 sparsely (adv) /'spaɪsli/
 with only small numbers or amounts of sth
 in a large area The holiday apartment was
 sparsely furnished, offering only the basic
 facilities. ➤ sparseness (n), sparse (adj)

- 7.65 vaccine (n) /'væksiːn/
 a chemical put into the body to protect from
 disease Unfortunately, there is no vaccine to
 protect against mosquito-borne diseases such
 as dengue, which is prevalent in Asia
 and South America. ➤ vaccinate (v),
 vaccination (n)
- 7.66 phenomenal (adj) /fə'nɒmɪnl/
 very large or impressive A phenomenal
 range of souvenirs and other local goods
 were on sale in the souk. ➤ phenomenon (n),
 phenomenally (adv)
- 7.67 devastate (v) /'devəsteit'/
 destroy completely The tsunami had
 devastated the island within minutes.
 > devastation (n), devastating (adj),
 devastatingly (adv)
- 7.68 wreak (v) /riːk/
 cause sth bad to happen Wildfires invariably
 wreak destruction across the country in the dry
 season.
- 7.69 province (n) /'provins/
 an area of a country not including the capital
 city Life can appear idyllic in the provinces
 so long as adequate facilities, such as medical
 care, are close at hand. ➤ provincial (adj),
 provincially (adv)
- 7.70 wham (excl) /wæm/
 used to denote a loud sound or sudden event
 A lightning bolt struck the tower wham! –
 right in front of us.
- 7.71 whim (n) /wɪm/
 a spontaneous desire to do sth that may not
 be necessary or practical They set off to
 explore the underwater caves on a whim.
 ⇒ whimsical (adj), whimsically (adv)
- 7.72 play it by ear (expr) /pleɪ ɪt baɪ ɪə(r)/
 decide what to do as a situation develops
 without a forward plan The ski slopes may
 not be open, but let's just head for Parnassos
 and play it by ear when we arrive.
- 7.73 the tip of the iceberg (expr) /ðə tip əv ðə 'aɪsbɜːg/
 the smallest visible part of a larger problem

 The online review represents only the tip of the iceberg as only a handful of people bothered to complain about the service.
- a drop in the ocean (expr) /ə drɒp ɪn ðə ˈəʊʃn/
 an insignificant amount, not large enough to change a situation Though the food packages were welcome, they were just a drop in the ocean compared to the number of starving homeless.
- 7.75 on the spur of the moment (expr) /pn ðə spɜː əv ðə 'məʊmənt/ without forward planning On a cold winter's night in Aberdeen, we decided on the spur of the moment to book a holiday in New Zealand.

- 7.76 a riot of (sth) (expr) /ə 'raɪət əv 'sʌmθɪŋ/ a mass of different types of the same thing
 The trees were a riot of orange hues in late
- 7.77 a stone's throw (expr) /ə stəʊnz θrəʊ/
 a short distance away Their bungalow was
 iust a stone's throw from a secluded beach.

Expressions

a drop in the ocean
a riot of (sth)
a stone's throw
add insult to injury
make a dent in sth
off the beaten track
on the spur of the moment
out of the ordinary
out of this world
play it by ear
put one over on sb
take the plunge
the tip of the iceberg
turn a blind eye to

- 7.78 microclimate (n) /'maɪkrəʊklaɪmət/
 a small geographic area whose climate differs from the surrounding area Casablanca has its own microclimate which tends to be cooler than the rest of Morocco.
- 7.79 microcopy (n) /'maɪkrə'kvpi/
 the short-form text used in apps and
 transactions Microcopy shows up in online
 error boxes explaining what users should do.
- 7.80 microcosm (n) /'maɪkrəʊkɒzəm/
 sth that includes all the elements of sth
 much larger The island was a microcosm
 of the whole country. ➤ microcosmic (adj),
 microcosmically (adv)
- 7.81 peculiar (to) (adj) /pɪˈkjuːliə/ belonging to ● This particular species of fish is peculiar to the lake at Prespes.
- 7.82 embark (v) /ɪm'baːk/ get on a ship; start out doing sth • We said our final goodbyes and left our friends to embark on the ferry. ➤ embarkation (n)
 ⑤ Opp: disembark
- 7.83 embody (v) /ɪm'bɒdi/
 represent the concept of sth The Olympic
 Games embody the spirit of international
 peace and cooperation. ➤ embodiment (n)
- 7.84 come in for (phr v) /k∧m in fə(r/ be subject to • The local authority has come in for a lot of criticism about the state of the beaches.
- 7.85 cling on to (phr v) /klɪŋ ɒn tuː/
 be unwilling to give sth up Sadie clung on to
 the dream that one day she would be able to
 travel to every continent.

- 7.86 brag (v) /bræg/ show off; boast arrogantly • He bragged to his gang about stealing the car. > brag (n)
- 7.87 gloat (v) /gləʊt/
 express pleasure at sth you succeeded in
 at sb else's expense It's time the new
 government stopped gloating over their victory
 and started putting their pre-election promises
 into action. ➤ gloating (adj)
- 7.88 swagger (v) /'swægə(r)/
 walk in an exaggerated, overtly proud way
 The victor swaggered off the court, waving to his fans and brandishing his trophy.
 ➤ swagger (n)
- 7.89 concurrently (adv) /kən'kʌrəntli/
 at the same time as sth else The
 photography and art courses run concurrently,
 so you can't attend both in the same term.
 > concur (v), concurrence (n), concurrent (adj)
- 7.90 recurrently (adv) /rɪˈkɜːrəntli/
 repeatedly She had the same dream
 recurrently for several nights in a row. ➤ recur
 (v), recurrence (n), recurrent (adj), recurring
 (adj)
- 7.91 concurringly (adv) /kən'kʌrɪŋli/
 with the same opinion as sth else The
 department heads agreed concurringly to
 close the office for two weeks during the
 holiday season. ➤ concur (v), concurrence (n),
 concurring (adj)
- 7.92 cursively (adv) /'kɜːsɪvli/
 in a manner with the letters joined together It
 is a rarity to read script written cursively in our
 digital age. ➤ cursive (adj)
- 7.93 explicitly (adv) /ɪk'splɪsɪtli/
 openly and directly Reception staff are
 explicitly instructed to be courteous to guests.
 > explicitness (n), explicit (adj)
- 7.94 extravagantly (adv) /ɪk'strævəgəntli/
 in an excessive way The building was
 extravagantly decorated with gold-trimmed
 wall paintings. ➤ extravagance (n),
 extravagant (adj)

Nouns: states

microclimate resilience
microcosm sensibilities
oddity tranquillity
paradox trappings
prosperity whim
rarity

Grammar

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- 7.95 somewhat (adv) /'sʌmwɒt/
 rather I always feel somewhat relieved when
 my suitcase appears in the baggage reclaim
 area.
- 7.96 utterly (adv) /'ʌtəli/
 absolutely Sean was utterly exhausted after
 the long-haul flight. >> utter (adj)
- 7.97 virtually (adv) /'vɜːtʃuəli/
 almost There were virtually no hotels
 operating in the low season in the area.

 > virtual (adj)
- 7.98 resilience (n) /rɪ'zɪliəns/
 the strength and ability to withstand difficult
 situations Their climbing equipment showed
 great resilience, having stood the tests of time.
 ➤ resilient (adj)
- 7.99 predator (n) /'predətə(r)/
 an animal that hunts and eats other animals
 Some species of fish have a sting to protect them from predators. ➤ predatory (adj)
- 7.100 foothill (n) /'futhil/ a small hill on the lower slopes of a mountain • The village lies in the foothills of the Alps.
- 7.101 brink (n) /brɪŋk/
 a situation where sth exciting or dangerous is very close to happening I believe the company is on the brink of bankruptcy.
- 7.102 poaching (n) /'pəʊtʃɪŋ/
 illegal hunting Poaching, which all too
 often goes unpunished, is one of the major
 hazards endangering elephants. ➤ poach (v),
 poacher (n)
- 7.103 sedate (v) /sɪ'deɪt/ use a drug to cause sth/sb to become calm or sleep • The dog was so agitated that it had to be sedated before the vet could examine it. > sedation (n), sedative (n), sedate (adj), sedative (adj), sedately (adv)
- 7.104 inhumane (adj) /,ɪnhjuː'meɪn/
 extremely cruel and uncaring Stealing the
 blanket from the homeless man was an
 unforgivable inhumane act. ➤ inhumanity (n),
 inhumanely (adv)

 © Opp: humane
- 7.105 quack (n) /kwæk/
 sb who makes false claims to have medical skills or knowledge; slang term for doctor
 Don't believe everything that quack tells you; get a second opinion from a more reputable doctor.

Adverbs

abundantly extravagantly concurringly somewhat cursively utterly explicitly virtually

Listening

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7.106 fracking (n) /'frækɪŋ/
the process of using liquid at high pressure
to force open natural cracks in the earth
to extract oil or gas • Conservationists are
concerned that fracking will cause irreversible

damage to the environment.

- 7.107 upcycling (n) /'npsaɪklɪŋ/
 the process of treating used objects/
 materials to create sth more valuable than the
 original object ◆ The imposing statues were
 constructed by upcycling empty aluminium
 cans. ➤ upcycle (v), upcycled (adj)
- 7.108 understatement (n) /'∧ndəsteɪtmənt/
 a statement that makes sth sound less serious
 or important than it is Light rain? That is an
 understatement; there's thunderstorm on the
 way. ➤ understate (v)
- 7.109 foregone conclusion (n) /'fɔːgɒn kən'kluːʒn/ a result that is certain to happen It's a foregone conclusion that marine species will continue to die out if sea pollution is not stopped.

Nouns: actions

buzz influx discrepancy injection educated guess itinerary entanglement narrow escape foregone conclusion poaching understatement fracking goodwill upcycling grapevine voluntourism

Speaking

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7.110 vibrant (adj) /'vaɪbrənt/
energetic and lively; bright • The carnival
floats were decorated with colours as vibrant
as the festive atmosphere. ➤ vibrantly (adv)

Writing

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- 7.111 indigenous (adj) /ɪn'dɪdʒənəs/
 native to an area He played a musical
 instrument similar to the didgeridoo that is
 peculiar to the indigenous people of Australia.
- 7.112 deplete (v) /dɪ'pliːt/
 cause the supply of sth to reduce Earth's
 natural resources are fast being depleted. ➤
 depletion (n)
- 7.113 foster (v) /'føstə(r)/
 encourage the development of sth The
 conference aimed to foster greater cooperation
 between nations on the issue of sea pollution.
- 7.114 complement (v) /'kpmpliment/ add sth extra to improve sth else ● They were served several side dishes to complement the main course. ➤ complement (n), complementary (adj)
- 7.115 abundantly (adv) /əˈbʌndəntli/
 to a great extent; extremely It was
 abundantly clear that the turtle had been
 injured by a ship's propeller. ➤ abound (v),
 abundance (n), abundant (adj)
- 7.116 paradox (n) /'pærədøks/
 sth that has strangely contrasting features
 Robin Williams was a sad paradox the funny man who suffered from depression.
 > paradoxical (adi), paradoxically (adv)
- 7.117 sprawling (adj) /'sprɔːlɪŋ/
 spreading over a wide area The sprawling
 concrete mass of the city stretches in all
 directions around the Acropolis hill. ➤ sprawl
 (v), sprawl (n)
- 7.118 overrun (v) /,əʊvə'rʌn/
 crowd out a place in large numbers The
 beaches are overrun with local and foreign
 visitors in the summer months.
- 7.119 albeit (conj) /ˌɔːl'biːɪt/ although it was ● It was a fulfilling, albeit tiring, hike around the mountain.
- 7.120 by the same token (conj) /baɪ ðə seɪm
 'təʊkən/
 for the same reason; by the same logic

 There was no guarantee the hotel would
 make a profit, but by the same token, the
 season had not been a complete disaster.
- 7.121 inasmuch as (conj) /,ɪnəz'mʌt∫ əz/
 used to add a justification for sth already
 mentioned They were utterly worn out,
 inasmuch as they'd just completed a 25 km
 walk.

7.122 notwithstanding (conj) /ˌnɒtwɪθ'stændɪŋ/
despite sth ● Notwithstanding Paul's
knowledge of Spanish, he hadn't a clue
what the villagers were trying to tell him. ➤
notwithstanding (adv)

Conjunctions

albeit inasmuch as by the same token notwithstanding

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- 7.123 entanglement (n) /ɪn'tæŋglmənt/
 the state of being caught or trapped in sth

 Loggerhead turtles are prone to injury
 through entanglement in fishing nets.
 - ➤ entangle (v)
 - Opp: disentanglement
- 7.124 barge (n) /baːdʒ/
 a long, flat-bottomed boat Colourful
 gondolas and barges were lined up along the
 side of the canal.

- 7.125 utilise (v) /ˈjuːtəlaɪz/ make use of ● The hikers utilised a piece of wood to support their injured companion's broken leg until they reached the refuge. > utilisation (n)
- 7.126 brutalise (v) /'bruːtəlaɪz/
 treat sb/sth in a violent way The slaves were
 brutalised and kept in appalling conditions.

 ➤ brutality (n), brutal (adj), brutally (adv)
- 7.127 snag (v) /snæg/
 get sth caught and torn on a sharp object
 I couldn't avoid snagging my trousers on the thorny bushes which we had to walk through.
 ➤ snag (n)
- 7.128 shears (n) /∫iəz/
 a garden tool like large heavy scissors
 Mildred was snipping away at her garden hedge with a pair of stainless steel shears.
 > shear (v)
- biodegradable (adj) /ˌbaɪəʊdɪˈgreɪdəbl/
 that can be naturally decomposed It's ironic
 that many supposedly environmentally friendly
 vegetables are sold wrapped in plastic which
 is not biodegradable. >> biodegrade (v)
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 Opp: non-biodegradable