

06 || GAT High Frequency Words

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A popular method adopted by many of test takers is to memorize the word meanings by using flash cards.

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Always keep tab on GAT vocabulary words and find out which word appears more frequently than others. On the following pages, you will find a list of words that typify those words appearing on all past (and, most likely, all present) GAT exams. It is not practical to memorize all the unfamiliar words on this list between now and when you take the GAT. Even if you took the time to accomplish this feat, you would still forget such a high percentage of the words that your net gain might not be sufficient for helping you get the score you want on the GAT. There is, however, one method of attack that will benefit you in the limited amount of time remaining before the test:

Examine each word and classify it into one of three categories:

- known and understood
- new or unfamiliar, but containing one or more familiar word parts
- new, unfamiliar, and containing no recognizable word part

When you come to a word in the first category.

Draw a line through it and proceed to the next word.

If a word is in the second category

Take it apart and use the experience that you recently gained in word root method to identify and "translate" the root. You will find word parts that you can recognize as belonging to the groups of words you recently encountered, and you will be able to make a good "stab" at the general meaning or meanings of the new word in question. You will also find word parts that you have not studied but that you may recognize from words that are part of your vocabulary. In this case, recall the word(s) in which the part occurs, and consider the meaning(s) of the word(s). It is quite possible that you will be able to arrive at the basic meanings of the common root in more or less the same way you identify the common factor in a polynomial. Now, with deduction, you have a good chance at anticipating the general meaning of the word in question. Check it against the stated definitions. Then proceed to the next word.

When you encounter a word in the third category—one with "nothing going for you.

You will have to resort to your trusty dictionary. Look it up, and make a note of the etymology of the word. Do not be upset if you do not have enough time to use this procedure all the way. The time you put into the Word List, even if you get only partially through it, will not have been wasted. When you turn to the Antonym and Analogy section of this book, you will see for yourself.

MEMORIZATION OF WORDS BY FLASH CARDS

During your undergraduate studies, you have undoubtedly developed your own techniques for memorization of course contents. Most of if not all, our students of undergraduate studies follow memorization of NOTES, but the memorization of word meanings is somewhat difficult to keep in mind for a long period.

Before you jump in head, first make sure you're taking a realistic approach to upgrade your vocabulary for the GAT. This part of the book contains a lot of vocabulary words. You won't be able to learn all of these words, or all of the word parts, all at once. If you do want to try to learn the complete lists, give yourself plenty of time before the test date and break them down into manageable chunks. If you've decided to concentrate on the words that seem most unfamiliar to you, it's still a good idea to work in smaller chunks to avoid information overload.

Following is a technique for designing a successful (and manageable) program for building your GAT vocabulary.

Words in your memory

- ▶ Words you recognize but cannot use in a sentence or define. You have a feel for these words and — you are at the brink of knowing them. Effort you put into mastering these borderline words will pay you soon on the test.
- ▶ Words you thought you knew but didn't. See whether any of them are defined in an unexpected way. If they are, make a special note of them.

Flash Cards

In the course of test preparation, many people develop their own techniques to learn vocabulary. If you want to learn a lot of words in short period, try Flash Cards.

Gather up a batch of index cards and search the word list for words you don't know. Write one word on each index card. Then, write the definition on the back of the card. Be brief, but include all the information you need. On one side, write the word. On the other side, write a concise definition – two or three words at most. For each major meaning of the word, you want to learn. Include an antonym too; the word - antonym associations can help you remember both words. To fix the word in your mind, use it in a short phrase. Then write that phrase down.

Memorizing the Flash Card

Carry a few of your flash cards with you every day. Look them over whenever you have some spare moments. Work in short bursts. Try going through ten flash cards at a time, shuffling through them quickly so that you can build up your rapid sight recognition of the words for the test. You want these words and their antonyms to spring to your mind instantaneously.

Test your Memory

Don't look at the back of the card unless you must. Go through your ten cards several times a day. Then, when you have mastered two or three of the cards and have them down pat, set those cards aside and add a couple of new ones to your working pile. That way you will always be working with a limited group but you won't be wasting time reviewing words you already recognize on sight.

Avoid trying to master a whole stack of flash cards in one long cram session. It won't work. Study the words and their meanings-in small batches, of course-and then test yourself. Look at a word on one of your cards and write the definition on a separate sheet of paper. Then turn the card over and see if you're correct. If you have a study partner, you can test each other.

GAT WORD LISTS

There are some topics you can easily cram. Vocabulary isn't one of them. Words generally stick in the mind not the first or second time you learn them but the fourth or fifth time. Try to begin your vocabulary study several weeks before the exam. Take fifteen or twenty minutes a day to learn new words. Periodically review all the words you've previously studied; quiz yourself, or have a friend quiz you. This simple regimen can enable you to learn several hundred new words before you take the GAT.

Vocabulary knowledge makes a clear and significant difference in your performance on the GAT. Fortunately, these word lists include the kind of words that regularly appear on the GAT.

Learn a Few Words at a Time

Don't try to gobble dozens of words in one sitting. They're likely to blur into an indistinguishable mass. Instead, pick a reasonable quantity-say, ten to twenty words-and study them in some depth. Learn the definition of each word; try writing a couple of sentences of your own that include the word. Refer to your own dictionary for further information if you like.

Abated ^{كسر} ^{كسر}	to make less in amount, degree, force, etc.
Abbreviate	to shorten (a word or phrase) by leaving out or substituting letters
Abduct	to take (a person) away unlawfully and by force or fraud; kidnap
Abilities	a being able; power to do (something physical or mental)
Abounded	to be plentiful; exist in large numbers or amounts
Abstract	thought of apart from any particular instances or material objects; not concrete
Adroit ^{جباراة} ^{جباراة}	skillful in a physical or mental way; clever; expert
Aerate	to expose to air, or cause air to circulate through
Affluent	having an abundance of wealth, property, or other material goods; prosperous; rich
Agile	quick and easy of movement; deft and active
Agitator	a person who tries to stir up people in support of a cause: often used in an unfavorable sense
Alacrity ^{عاجلة} ^{عاجلة}	eager willingness or readiness, often manifested by quick, lively action
Altruism	unselfish concern for the welfare of others; selflessness
Altruist	of or motivated by altruism; unselfish
Altruistic	of or motivated by altruism; unselfish
Ambiguity	the quality or state of being ambiguous
Ancestors	any person from whom one is descended, esp. one earlier in a family line than a grandparent; forefather; forebear
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Ancillary ^{مترتبة}	subordinate
Antifreeze	a substance of low freezing point added to a liquid, esp. to the water in the radiator of an automobile or to gasoline in the tank, to prevent freezing
Appall	to fill with horror or dismay; shock
Appliance	the act of applying; application
Apprise ^{أبلغ}	to inform or notify
Arctic	of, characteristic of, or near the North Pole or the region around it
Artifact	any object made by human work; esp., a simple or primitive tool, weapon, vessel, etc.

Ascertained	to make certain or definite
Ascertaining	to make certain or definite
Assessed	to set an estimated value on (property, etc.) for taxation
Asylum	a sanctuary, as a temple, where criminals, debtors, etc. were safe from arrest
Auditions	the act or sense of hearing
Aver	to declare to be true; state positively; affirm
Balletomane	a person enthusiastic about the ballet
Bawdy	characteristic of a bawd; indecent or humorously coarse; lewd
Bellwether	a male sheep, usually wearing a bell, that leads the flock
Beneath	in a lower place; below
Bibliography	the study of the editions, dates, authorship, etc. of books and other writings
Bibulous	highly absorbent
Billow	a large wave; great swell of water
Bolster	a long, narrow cushion or pillow
Boredom	the condition of being bored; ennui
Bowlerize	to remove passages considered offensive from (a book, play, etc.)
Brevity	the quality of being brief; shortness of time
Buffet	a blow with the hand or fist
Buoy	a floating object anchored in a lake, river, etc. to mark a channel, warn of a hazard, etc
Carvings	A figure or design formed by some kind of cutting.
Catalyst	something that causes activity between two or more persons or forces without itself being affected
Chevrons	a heraldic device in the shape of an inverted V
Chimpanzee	any of a genus (<i>Pan</i>) of great apes of Africa, with black hair and large, outstanding ears: it is smaller than a gorilla and is noted for its intelligence
Chorus	a group of persons singing in unison.
Cloister	a place of religious seclusion: monastery or convent

Comatose	of, like, or in a coma or stupor
Composure	calmness of mind or manner; tranquility; self-possession
Concluded	to bring to a close; end; finish
Condemn	to pass an adverse judgment on; disapprove of strongly; censure
Conflict	to come into collision or disagreement; be contradictory, at variance, or in opposition; clash
Consciousness	the state of being conscious; awareness of one's own feelings, what is happening around one, etc.
Contaminated	to make impure, infected, corrupt, radioactive, etc. by contact with or addition of something; pollute; defile; sully; taint
Contemplation	thoughtful inspection, study, etc
Contribution	the act of contributing
Controversy	a lengthy discussion of an important question in which opposing opinions clash; debate; disputation
Convictions	The judgment of a jury or judge that a person is guilty of a crime as charged
Crude	in a raw or natural condition, before being prepared for use; not refined or processed
Cruise کری سفیر	to sail from place to place, as for pleasure or in search of something
Culpable	deserving blame; blameworthy
Curative لوا علاج	of or for the curing of disease
Curbing کونٽرول	anything that restrains or controls; a restraint; check
Cursory تيز	hastily, often superficially, done; performed rapidly with little attention to detail
Curtailed	to cut short; reduce; abridge
Cynosure مستقر نرٽا	any person or thing that is a center of attention or interest
Decimate	to select by lot and kill every tenth one of
Deter	to keep or discourage (a person, group, or nation) from doing something by instilling fear, anxiety, doubt, etc.
Diatribes	a bitter, abusive criticism or denunciation
Dictatorial	of, like, or characteristic of a dictator; autocratic; tyrannical; domineering
Diligent	persevering and careful in work; industrious
Distinguished	celebrated; eminent

Divisive	اختلاف ساز	causing division; esp., causing disagreement or dissension
Doctrine		something taught; teachings
Dubious		feeling doubt; hesitating; skeptical
Dusk	مخمره. سوزن فروری	dark in color; dusky; shadowy
Ecosystems		a system made up of a community of animals, plants, and bacteria interrelated together with its physical and chemical environment
Ecstatic	بے حد خوشی	of, having the nature of, or characterized by ecstasy
Ecstasy	بے حواسی	an overpowering emotion or exaltation; a state of sudden, intense feeling
Eligible		fit to be chosen; legally or morally qualified
Empathy		the projection of one's own personality into the personality of another in order to understand the person better; ability to share in another's emotions, thoughts, or feelings
Empirical	جرباتی	relying or based solely on experiment and observation rather than theory
Encouraging		giving courage, hope, or confidence
Envisage	کام نظر کرنا	to face; confront
Equalized		to make equal
Erroneous		containing or based on error; mistaken; wrong
Erudite	عام - ذالکلام	having or showing a wide knowledge gained from reading; learned; scholarly
Espouse		to take as a spouse, esp. as a wife; marry
Essentially		of or constituting the intrinsic, fundamental nature of something; basic; inherent
Esteemed		to have great regard for; value highly; respect
Eulogy		speech or writing in praise of a person, event, or thing; esp., a formal speech praising a person who has recently died
Evaluate		to find the value or amount of
Evaporate		to change (a liquid or solid) into vapor; drive out or draw off in the form of vapor
Evidence		that which tends to prove or disprove something; ground for belief; proof
Evolution		an unfolding, opening out, or working out; process of development, as from a simple to a complex form, or of gradual, progressive change, as in a social and economic structure
Exhuming	قبر کھودنا	to dig out of the earth; disinter
Existed		to have reality or actual being; be

Existence		the act of existing; state or fact of being
Exotic	غریب	foreign; not native
Explicitly	مفہوم	clearly stated and leaving nothing implied; distinctly expressed; definite: distinguished from implicit
Explosion		an exploding; esp., a blowing up, or bursting with a loud noise; detonation
Exterminate		to destroy or get rid of entirely, as by killing; wipe out; annihilate
Familial	خاندانی	of, involving, or common to a family
Familiarize	واقف بنانا	to make commonly known
Felon	مجرم	a wicked person
Flawed		a break, scratch, crack, etc. that spoils something; blemish
Flints	ایک قسم کا پتھر	a fine-grained, very hard, siliceous rock, usually gray, that produces sparks when struck with steel and that breaks into pieces with sharp cutting edges
Foe	دشمن	enemy (in all senses)
Folly		a lack of understanding, sense, or rational conduct; foolishness
Fortitude	حوصلہ	the strength to bear misfortune, pain, etc. calmly and patiently; firm courage
Frequently	بار بار	often
Furtive	مخفیہ	done or acting in a stealthy manner, as if to hinder observation; surreptitious; stealthy; sneaky
Glance	چھپکے	to look quickly or briefly.
Gluttonous	بہت کھانا کھانا	inclined to eat too much and greedily
Gravity	گہرائی	the force of attraction by which terrestrial bodies tend to fall toward the center of the earth, the state or condition of being grave; esp., a) solemnity or sedateness of manner or character; earnestness b) danger or threat; ominous quality
Grimaces	چہرے کی حرکتیں	a twisting or distortion of the face, as in expressing pain, contempt, disgust, etc., or a wry look as in seeking to amuse
Harbor	ملا پناہ	a place of refuge, safety, etc.; retreat; shelter
Heredity	وراثت	a) the transmission of characteristics from parent to offspring by means of genes in the chromosomes b) the tendency of offspring to resemble parents or ancestors through such transmission
Humanitarian	انسانی دوست	a person devoted to promoting the welfare of humanity, esp. through the elimination of pain and suffering; philanthropist

Humdrum	حاجت لطف بے دہی	lacking variety; dull; monotonous; boring
Hypocrisy	مناقت - منہ پر دہی	a pretending to be what one is not, or to feel what one does not feel; esp., a pretense of virtue, piety, etc
Iceberg	پہر فانی ٹوڑ	a great mass of ice broken off from a glacier and floating in the sea
Implicate		to show to have a connection with a crime, fault, etc
Implied		involved, suggested, or understood without being openly or directly expressed
Impure		not pure
Inconsistent		not consistent; not in agreement, harmony, or accord; incompatible
Incredible		not credible; unbelievable
Indigenous	مالی مقامی	existing, growing, or produced naturally in a region or country; belonging (to) as a native
Inevitable	ناگزیر	unable to be avoided, evaded, or escaped; certain; necessary
Inference	خیزا اہم	an act or the process of inferring
Influx	الدری بیاب	a flowing in; inflow, as of a liquid, gas, etc. b) a continual coming in of persons or things
Inimitable	میسرما نونہ	that cannot be imitated or matched; too good to be equaled or copied
Initiating	سرعہ رنہ	bring into practice or use; introduce by first doing or using; start
Instinct	پیدائشی رجحان	(an) inborn tendency to behave in a way characteristic of a species; natural, unlearned, predictable response to stimuli
Intimidate	ڈرانا	to make timid; make afraid; daunt
Invigorate	زندہ کرنا	to give vigor to; fill with energy; enliven
Laudatory	تقدیر نامہ	expressing praise; eulogistic; commendatory also
Laurel	سدر جھار پور	of a genus (Laurus) of evergreen trees or shrubs of the laurel family
Lax	سرخورد	loose; emptying easily (said of the bowels)
Liturgy	نماز	prescribed forms or ritual for public worship in any of various religions or churches
Lowers		in a place or on a level below another
Martinet	سختی نظم و ضبط	a very strict military disciplinarian
Maverick	آوارہ چلور	an unbranded animal, esp. a strayed calf, a lone dissenter, as an intellectual, an artist, or a politician, who takes an independent stand apart from his or her associates
Mediocre	مدرجہ کا	neither very good nor very bad; ordinary; average
Meticulous	مختار	extremely or excessively careful about details; scrupulous or finicky
Modesty	نیکی بیخبر	the quality or state of being modest; unassuming or humble behavior

Morass دنگل	a tract of low, soft, watery ground; bog; marsh; swamp: often used figuratively of a difficult, troublesome, or perplexing state of affairs
Narrate بجھلنا	to tell (a story) in writing or speech
Natives اولیٰ با مشعرہ	inborn or innate rather than acquired
Negotiate میں سے منظم کرنا	to make arrangements for, settle, or conclude (a business transaction, treaty, etc.)
Nicaragua	a country in Central America,
Nomadic خارجی رہائش	A member of a group of people who have no fixed home and move according to the seasons from place to place in search of food, water, and grazing land.
Novelty نیا پن	the quality of being novel; newness; freshness
Oblivion فراموشی	the condition or fact of being forgotten
Oblivious دھیان	forgetful or unmindful: usually with of or to
Obstruction دراوٹ	something that obstructs, blocks, or closes up with an obstacle or obstacles; obstacle or hindrance
Obvious واضح	easy to see or understand; plain; evident
Oddly بجھیب انداز سے	being one of a pair of which the other is missing
Ornamental سجا	serving as or pertaining to an ornament; decorative
Pacifier صلح کرنے والا	someone who tries to bring peace, a rubber or plastic device, often shaped into a nipple, for a baby to suck or bite on
Paleolithic	designating or of an Old World cultural period (2 million 3c. 10,000 B.C.)
Palisade چھار دیواری	any one of a row of large pointed stakes set in the ground to form a fence used for fortification or defense
Panegyric تصریح	a formal speech or piece of writing praising a person or event
Panhandler بڈیہ مانگنے والا	a beggar, esp. one who begs on the streets
Parisian ←	of or like Paris, its people, or culture
Passes ضنطور گزنا	a narrow passage or opening, esp. between mountains; gap; defile
Peacemaker ص	a person who makes peace, as by settling the disagreements or quarrels of others
Pebbles کھیری پتھر	a small stone worn smooth and round, as by the action of water
Perforate سوراخ گزنا	to make a hole or holes through, as by punching or boring; pierce; penetrate
Perpetrates عجربہ موزنا	to do or perform (something evil, criminal, or offensive); be guilty of

Pickups	the act of picking up, as in fielding a rapidly rolling baseball
Pitiful	arousing or deserving pity
Plausible	seemingly true, acceptable, etc.: often implying disbelief
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Pleistocene	designating or of the first epoch of the Quaternary Period in the Cenozoic Era, characterized by the spreading and recession of continental ice sheets and by the appearance of modern humans
Pogo stick	a stilt with pedals and a spring at one end, used as a toy to move along in a series of bounds
Precision	the quality of being precise; exactness, accuracy, etc.
Predetermined	to determine, decide, or decree beforehand
Premises	a tract of land including its buildings, a proposition supporting or helping to support a conclusion
Prevailed	to gain the advantage or mastery; be victorious; triumph: often with <i>over</i> or <i>against</i>
Prevalent	stronger, more effective, etc.; dominant
Primitive	of or existing in the beginning or the earliest times or ages; ancient, original
Probable	likely to occur or be; that can reasonably but not certainly be expected
Prosaic	of or like prose rather than poetry; often, specific., heavy, flat, unimaginative, etc.
Prosecutes	to follow up or pursue (something) to a conclusion
Proselyte	to try to convert (a person), esp. to one's religion
Pungent	producing a sharp sensation of taste and smell; acrid
Quizzical	odd; comical
Radioactive	capable of giving off, radiant energy in the form of particles or rays, as alpha, beta, and gamma rays, by the spontaneous disintegration of atomic nuclei
Rapacious	taking by force; plundering
Rebellion	an act or state of armed resistance to one's government
Recital	a) a reciting; specific., a telling of facts, events, etc. in detail b) what is so told; account, story, or description
Redundant	more than enough; overabundant; excess; superfluous
Regiment	a military unit consisting of two or more battalions and forming a basic element of a division
Rescue	to free or save from danger, imprisonment, evil, etc.
Resist	to withstand; oppose; fend off; stand firm against; withstand the action of

Retaliated	to return like for like; esp., to return evil for evil; pay back injury for injury
Reverence	a feeling or attitude of deep respect, love, and awe, as for something sacred; veneration
Rue	to feel remorse or repentance for (a sin, fault, etc.)
Rumors	general talk not based on definite knowledge; mere gossip; hearsay
Salvage	a) the rescue of a ship and cargo at sea from peril such as fire, shipwreck, capture, etc. b) compensation paid to those who assist in the rescue operations c) the ship or cargo so rescued d) the restoration of a sunken or wrecked ship or its cargo as by divers
Sanction	the act of a recognized authority confirming or ratifying an action; authorized approval or permission
Scandalous	causing scandal; offensive to a sense of decency or shocking to the moral feelings of the
Scanning	to analyze (verse) in terms of its rhythmic components, as by counting accents and syllables and marking the metrical feet
Scanty	barely sufficient; not ample; meager
Scarce	not common; rarely seen
Scrutinizing	to look at very carefully; examine closely; inspect minutely
Serene	not disturbed or troubled; calm, peaceful, tranquil, etc.
Simultaneous	occurring, done, existing, etc. together or at the same time
Skyrocketed	a fireworks rocket that explodes in midair in a shower of colored sparks
Sluggish	lacking energy, alertness, or vigor; indisposed to exertion; slothful
Sophisticated	not simple, artless, naive, etc.; urbane, worldly-wise, etc. or knowledgeable, perceptive, subtle, etc.
Speculations	the act of speculating, or meditating, a thought or conjecture
Stabilized	to make stable, or firm
Straighten	to make or become less confused, easier to deal with, etc.
Strip	to deprive of covering: to strip a fruit of its rind, to remove (the clothing or covering) of or from (a person); make naked; undress
Stultify	to make seem foolish, stupid, inconsistent, etc.; make absurd or ridiculous, to make dull or torpid
Succinct	clearly and briefly stated; terse
Sufficient	as much as is needed; equal to what is specified or required; enough

Surprisingly	causing surprise; amazing
Sustain	to keep in existence; keep up; maintain or prolong
Sybarite	any of the people of ancient
Tirade	a long, vehement speech, esp. one of denunciation; harangue
Trauma	a bodily injury, wound, or shock
Trench	to cut, cut into, cut off, etc.; slice, gash, etc.
Trooper	an enlisted soldier in the mounted cavalry
Truculent	fierce; cruel; savage; ferocious
Turn	to make (a wheel, globe, etc.) move about a central point or axis; revolve or rotate
Unscrupulous	not scrupulous; not restrained by ideas of right and wrong; unprincipled
Varsity	the main team that represents a university, college, or school in some competition, esp. an athletic one
Verbiage	an excess of words beyond those needed to express concisely what is meant; wordiness
Version	a particular form or variant of something
Vicious	a) given to or characterized by vice; evil, corrupt, or depraved, harmful, unwholesome, or noxious
Victim	a person or animal killed as a sacrifice to a god in a religious rite
Victor	the winner in a battle, struggle, etc
Violate	to break (a law, rule, promise, etc.); fail to keep or observe; infringe on
Vitality	power to live or go on living
Wicked	morally bad or wrong; acting or done with evil intent; depraved; iniquitous
Witnesses	an attesting of a fact, statement, etc.; evidence; testimony
Yawn	to open the mouth wide, esp. involuntarily, and breathe in deeply, as a result of fatigue, drowsiness, or boredom