## Vocabulary booster

Task 1: Combine the explanations below with the words in the box by writing the corresponding word on the line:

## Α.

- 1. (lat. "id est") that is to say; in other words: i.e
- 2. very funny hilarious

3.	an important food f	ish of no	rthern Atlantic	waters that is
	close to extinction (	("torsk")	cod	

4. to eat up greedily **devour** 

5. far-reaching, deep **profound** 

6. an opinion formed beforehand, esp. an unfavourable one

prejudice

7. on the other hand; by contrast however

8. [for a problem] to reach a critical or crucial stage

come to a head

Swizz

decline

9. an attorney (in Britain) who advises clients on legal matters, represents clients in certain lower courts **solicitor** 

10. the outer parts or area, especially of a town outskirts

11. a native or inhabitant of Switzerland

12. to express polite refusal

13. a person who is authorized to act as an agent for the sale of land (in Britain: land agent) real estate agent

14. a leather with a fine velvet-like surface on one side (literally: gloves from Sweden) (mocka) suede

15. making claim to distinction or importance(pretantiös) **pretentious** 

16. characterized by or subject to whim; impulsive and unpredictable (nyckfull) **capricious** 

17. a sense of deep regret and guilt for something one did remorse

profound

real estate agent

hilarious

i.e.

devour

outskirts

suede

Swizz

come to a head

capricious

remorse

cod

prejudice

solicitor

decline

pretentious

however

В.					suburb	
_,	1	alono singlo	colitany		conundrum	
		alone, single solitary			bigoted	
	2. a physician who specializes in the care of babies <b>pediatrician</b>				initial	
3.		a situation in which further progress is impossible <b>a</b>		blog		
	dead end				pediatrician	
	4.	the usually residential region around a major city suburb		malicious		
	E	<ul> <li>with bad intent malic</li> <li>blindly and obstinately attached to some creed or c</li> </ul>			inconspicuous	
				malicious	solitary	
	6.			eed or opinion bigoted	corduroy	
	7		•		crimson	
	1.	bad language in a religious context  blasphemy			pint	
	8.	a deep to vivid purplish red to v	ivid red	crimson	a dead end	
	9.	a unit of volume the US. custom	swede			
	litre) and the British imperial system (equal to 0.568 litre). pint				blasphemy	
	10. study of the origin and development of words				etymology	
		etymology				
	11. to write entries in, add material to, or maintain a weblog (verb) blog					
	12. not very noticeable		ine	inconspicuous		
	<ul><li>13. a paradoxical, insoluble, or difficult problem conundrum</li><li>14. hard-wearing fabric with soft velvety stripes (sv. "manchester")</li></ul>					
	corduroy					
	15. the edible root of a European plant (am eng. rutabaga, "kålrot") swede					
	16.	first		initial		

C.

CEO 1. a reality show on TV **Big Brother** proximity 2. old, shabby and in bad repair dilapidated dexterity 3. informal a very hot place furnace dilapidated 4. to make a bad situation worse add insult to injury illiterate 5. wiped out obliterated congregation 6. nearness proximity add insult to 7. the foreign minister in the US the Secretary of State injury stifling 8. gathering of people in a church (sv. "församling") congregation furnace 9. unasked for entry intrusion obliterated 10. fragments of something destroyed debris debris inadequate 11. (chief executive officer) the corporate executive CEO intrusion 12. hot and airless stifling the Secretary of State 13. not able to read or write illiterate Big Brother 14. skill and grace in physical movement, especially in the use of the hands dexterity vivid (fingerfärdighet)

inadequate

vivid

15. not good enough

16. very clear and detailed

1. word used to replace one which has become too negative copulate euphemism (förskönande omskrivning) euphemism 2. (Am. E.) an apartment in a building in which each apartment ferocious is individually owned (sv "bostadsrätt") condominium conscience 3. to steal (money) that belongs to the company or overthrow organization that one works for embezzle (förskingra) notion 4. the gradual increase of the temperature of the earth's lower embezzle atmosphere as a result of the increase in greenhouse gases cashier global warming vast 5. have sex copulate alien 6. uneasy and apprehensive about an uncertain event or matter bilingual anxious Facebook 7. make peace bury the hatchet global warming bury the hatchet 8. forcibly remove from power overthrow anxious 9. the sense of right and wrong that governs a person's thoughts and actions conscience condominium 10. a person responsible for handling cash in a bank, shop, or other business (kassör/kassörska) cashier

- 11. idea notion
- 12. unusually large in size, degree, or number vast
- 13. a social networking site founded in 2004 initially targeting Harvard students

  Facebook
- 14. a person who is a citizen of a country other than the one in which he or she lives alien
- 15. using or able to use two languages bilingual
- 16. savagely fierce or cruel **ferocious**

## Task 2

After having finished task 1 and divided the word-groups (A, B, C and D) among you in a group of four come up with a story using at least 12 of the words in the box (but try to use them all). You have about 5-10 minutes to prepare your story and you can make notes if you want to.

Tell the story to each other in the group. Begin with: "Ones upon time there was ... " (e.g. ... an inconspicuous mason who grew up in a bilingual family in a dilapidated condominium. ...)

When finished give the explanations to five of the words of your choosing and ask the other group members to give you the word in question. The first one who answers gets a point.

Good luck! / Kristian.