## Vocabulary booster

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

1. (lat. "id est") - that is to say; in other words: i.e
2. very funny hilarious
3. an important food fish of northern Atlantic waters that is close to extinction ("torsk") cod
4. to eat up greedily
5. far-reaching, deep
devour
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
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 Swizz
12. to express polite refusal decline
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) suede
15. making claim to distinction or importance(pretantiös) pretentious
profound real estate agent hilarious
i.e.
devour outskirts
suede
Swizz
come to a head
capricious
remorse
cod
prejudice
solicitor
decline
pretentious
however
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
B.
18. alone, single
solitary
19. a physician who specializes in the care of babies pediatrician
20. a situation in which further progress is impossible dead end
21. the usually residential region around a major city suburb
22. with bad intent
malicious
23. blindly and obstinately attached to some creed or opinion and intolerant toward others
bigoted
24. bad language in a religious context blasphemy
25. a deep to vivid purplish red to vivid red
crimson
26. a unit of volume the US. customary system (equal to 0.551 litre) and the British imperial system (equal to 0.568 litre). pint
27. study of the origin and development of words etymology

| suburb |
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| conundrum |
| bigoted |
| bitial |
| peg |
| malicious |
| inconspicuous |
| solitary |
| corduroy |
| crimson |
| pint |
| a dead end |
| swede |
| blasphemy |
| etymology |

11. to write entries in, add material to, or maintain a weblog (verb)
blog
12. not very noticeable
inconspicuous
13. a paradoxical, insoluble, or difficult problem conundrum
14. hard-wearing fabric with soft velvety stripes (sv. "manchester")
corduroy
15. the edible root of a European plant (am eng. rutabaga, "kålrot")
swede
16. first
initial
C.
17. a reality show on TV

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

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stifling furnace obliterated debris inadequate intrusion the Secretary of State Big Brother vivid
16. very clear and detailed
vivid
D.

| 1. word used to replace one which has become too negative euphemism (förskönande omskrivning) | copulate euphemism |
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| 2. (Am. E.) an apartment in a building in which each apartment is individually owned (sv "bostadsrätt") condominium | ferocious conscience |
| 3. to steal (money) that belongs to the company or organization that one works for embezzle (förskingra) | overthrow notion |
| 4. the gradual increase of the temperature of the earth's lower atmosphere as a result of the increase in greenhouse gases <br> global warming | embezzle <br> cashier <br> vast |
| 5. have sex copulate | alien |
| 6. uneasy and apprehensive about an uncertain event or matter anxious | bilingual <br> Facebook |
| 7. make peace bury the hatchet | global warming |
| 8. forcibly remove from power overthrow | bury the hatchet |
| 9. the sense of right and wrong that governs a person's thoughts and actions conscience | anxious condominium |
| 10. a person responsible for handling cash in a bank, shop, or other business (kassör/kassörska) <br> cashier |  |
| 11.idea notion |  |
| 12. unusually large in size, degree, or number vast |  |
| 13. a social networking site founded in 2004 initially targeting Harvar Facebook | vard students |
| 14. a person who is a citizen of a country other than the one in whicher alien | hich he or she lives |
| 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.

