

## Word Book C-4

### **coast**

[land on the edge of the ocean]

The storm caused high waves and flooding along much of the Atlantic coast.

### **coffee**

[a drink made from the plant of the same name]

People in Seattle drink lots of coffee.

### **cold**

[(1) not warm; (2) having or feeling great coolness or a low temperature]

The water is too cold for swimming. (1)

This has been a cold winter, with much ice and snow. (2)

### **collect**

[(1) to bring or gather together in one place; (2) to demand and receive]

The driver collected the children after school and brought them home. (1)

Your employer collects taxes for the government every time you are paid. (2)

### **college**

[a small university]

Have you decided where you will attend college?

### **colony**

[land controlled by another country or government]

Hong Kong is no longer a British colony.

### **color**

[the different effects of light on the eye, making blue, red, brown, black, yellow and others]

I love the bright colors of the autumn leaves.

### **combine**

[to mix or bring together]

The new organization combines radio and television broadcasting.

### **come**

[(1) to move toward; (2) to arrive]

Jan is coming home for the holidays. (1)

The two sides came together on a settlement after long and detailed negotiations. (2)

### **command**

[(1) to order; (2) to have power over something]

The general commanded the army to move against the enemy. (1)

The President commands all the military forces. (2)

### **comment**

[(1) to say something about; (2) to express an opinion about something]

Mr. President, please comment about the increased number of terrorist attacks. (1)

He commented about the writers who criticized his new book. (2)

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[a group of people given special work]

The committee met three times to decide who should get the special award.

### **common**

[(1) usual; (2) same for all]

He liked to call himself a common man. (1)

The allies united for a common purpose: to win the war. (2)

### **communicate**

[(1) to tell; (2) to give or exchange information]

The chairman communicated that he was not happy with the proposed agreement. (1)

Because we communicate well, we understand each other's situation. (2)

### **community**

[a group of people living together in one place or area]

Our community includes people from many other countries.

### **company**

[a business organized for trade, industrial or other purposes]

My friend started an Internet company to repair and sell old musical instruments.

### **compare**

[to examine what is different or similar]

We urge you to compare the price and quality of our products with those of our competitors.

### **compete**

[to try to do as well as, or better than, another or others]

The Internet lets companies compete almost anywhere in the world.

### **complete**

[(1) having all parts; (2) ended or finished]

I have a complete set of recordings by the Beatles. (1)

We completed all the work yesterday. (2)

### **complex**

[(1) of or having many parts that are difficult to understand; (2) not simple]

The trade agreement is the result of some very complex negotiations. (1)

It may seem simple, but it is really complex. (2)