

Important, Essential or Crucial? Choose the Right Word

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Study task: Listen again and notice the expressions you studied.

1

important

importante

DEF

Having value, significance or a strong effect.

Something may matter without being absolutely necessary.

ES

Que tiene valor, relevancia o un efecto considerable.

Algo puede importar sin ser absolutamente necesario.

Family is important to me.

La familia es importante para mí.

Regular practice is important for improving your listening.

Practicar con regularidad es importante para mejorar la comprensión auditiva.

2

essential

esencial · imprescindible

DEF

Completely necessary; something you cannot manage properly without.

Common patterns are essential for something and essential to a process.

ES

Completamente necesario; algo sin lo que no se puede funcionar bien.

Son frecuentes esencial for something y essential to a process.

A passport is essential for an international journey.

El pasaporte es imprescindible para un viaje internacional.

Trust is essential to the relationship.

La confianza es esencial para la relación.

3

crucial

crucial · decisivo

DEF

Extremely important because it may determine the result.

Often used with moment, factor, decision or role, followed by to or for.

ES

Extremadamente importante porque puede determinar el resultado.

Suele acompañar a momento, factor, decisión o papel, y admite to o for.

Timing is crucial during an emergency.

La coordinación del tiempo es crucial durante una emergencia.

Communication is crucial to success.

La comunicación es crucial para el éxito.

