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| EXAM IDIOMS PERIOD 2  |
| 1. rather (adv)
 | tamelijk | This band is rather unknown.  |
| 1. superficial (adj)
 | oppervlakkig | He’s fun to be with, but he is rather superficial.  |
| 1. valuable (adj)
 | waardevol | He gave the police valuable information.  |
| 1. rewarding (adj)
 | dankbaar | Helping handicapped peopl can be very rewarding.  |
| 1. extraordinary (adj)
 | uitzonderlijk | He told us the story of his extraordinary excape.  |
| 1. exceptional (adj)
 | uitzonderlijk | An achievement like that is exceptional.  |
| 1. thoroughly (adv)
 | grondig | The police searched the house thoroughly.  |
| 1. entire (adj)
 | geheel | I was at home the entire morning.  |
| 1. majority (n)
 | meerderheid | In Great Britain women are in the majority.  |
| 1. minority (n)
 | minderheid | Fortunately, the people causing trouble here are in the minority. |
| 1. considerable (adj)
 | aanzienlijk | The damage to the car was considerable.  |
| 1. severe (adj)
 | streng | We had a severe winter last year.  |
| 1. numerous (adj)
 | talrijk | Your report contains numerous mistakes.  |
| 1. sufficient (adj)
 | voldoende  | I’m glad I’ve got sufficient time for this project.  |
| 1. huge (adj)
 | enorm | He lives in a huge house.  |
| 1. vast (adj)
 | enorm | The brain is a vast computer.  |
| 1. narrow (adj)
 | smal | The corridor is too narrow for two people.  |
| 1. marvellous (adj)
 | prachtig | The view from our hotel room was marvellous.  |
| 1. gorgeous (adj)
 | heel mooi | The bride looked gorgeous.  |
| 1. remarkable (adj)
 | buitengewoon | Winston Churchill was a remarkable man.  |
| 1. ordinary (adj)
 | gewoon | I like reading stories about ordinary people.  |
| 1. tedious (adj)
 | saai, eentonig | I wouldn’t like to have such a tedious job.  |
| 1. fashionable (adj)
 | modieus, in de mode | She usually wears fashionable clothes. |
| 1. accurate (adj)
 | nauwkeurig | He gave the police an accurate description of the robber.  |
| 1. hazardous (adj)
 | gevaarlijk  | He made a hazardous journey through the jungle.  |
| 1. outrageous (adj)
 | schandalig | Nowadays prices of houses are outrageous.  |
| 1. inevitable (adj)
 | onvermijdelijk | The fight between them was inevitable.  |
| 1. virtually (adj)
 | vrijwel | My grandfather is virtually deaf.  |
| 1. appropriate (adj)
 | gepast, geschikt | He wasn’t wearing appropriate clothes at the funeral.  |
| 1. increasingly (adj)
 | steeds meer | The minister got increasingly irritated by the reporter’s questions.  |
| 1. similar (adj)
 | dezelfde | My mother and I have similar political views.  |
| 1. approximately

 (adv) | ongeveer | Approximately 800 people were killed in the earthquake.  |
| 1. frequently (adv)
 | geregeld | My friend and I frequently go toThe cinema. |
| 1. disastrous (adj)
 | rampzalig | The plane accident had disastrous consequences.  |
| 1. genuine (adj)
 | echt | Is this diamond genuine or is it fake ?  |
| 1. artificial (adj)
 | kunst, namaak | Are those flowers real or artificial ? |
| 1. common (adj)
 | veelvoorkomend | ‘Smith’ is a common name in England.  |
| 1. generally (adv)
 | over het algemeen | I generally get up at half past seven.  |
| 1. seldom (adv)
 | zelden | She seldom goes on holiday.  |
| 1. prohibited (adj)
 | verboden  | Parking is strictly prohibited in front of this building.  |
| 1. casualty (n)
 | slachtoffer | There was a train accident, but there were no casualties.  |
| 1. disaster (n)
 | ramp | Let us pray for the victims of this terrible disaster.  |
| 1. cautious (adj)
 | voorzichtig | My grandfather is a cautious driver.  |
| 1. to approach (v)
 | naderen | We had just arrived at the station when the train approached.  |
| 1. valid (adj)
 | geldig | You must have a valid passport.  |
| 1. to come across

 (v) | toevallig tegenkomen | I came across an old friend in the park.  |
| 1. to rescue (v)
 | redden | The passengers were rescued from the wreck.  |
| 1. to abandon (v)
 | achterlaten | We had to abandon our burning car.  |
| 1. maintenance (n)
 | onderhoud | I leave the maintenance of my car to a mechanic.  |
| 1. existence (n)
 | bestaan | There is evidence of the existence of dinosaurs.  |
| 1. species (n)
 | soort | A lot of animal species are found only in rainforests.  |
| 1. gender (n)
 | geslacht | The test shows the gender of an unborn baby.  |
| 1. mortality (n)
 | sterftecijfer, sterfte | Infant mortality is high in that country.  |
| 1. to breed (v)
 | fokken | My aunt breeds golden retrievers.  |
| 1. fertile (adj)
 | vruchtbaar | This is fertile ground in which everything grows well.  |
| 1. endangered (adj)
 | met uitsterven bedreigd | Mountain gorillas are an endangered species.  |
| 1. conscious (adj)
 | bewust | She was conscious of his interest in her.  |
| 1. aware (adj)
 | bewust | I’m very much aware of the problem.  |
| 1. to grow (v)
 | verbouwen | What crops do they grow there ? |
| 1. harmful (adj)
 | schadelijk | Is alcohol harmful to your health ? |
| 1. harmless (adj)
 | onschadelijk | These mushrooms are harmless and can be eaten.  |
| 1. sincere (adj)
 | oprecht | John made a sincere apology for his mistake.  |
| 1. thoughtful (adj)
 | attent | How thoughtful of you to keep the door open for her.  |
| 1. determination (n)
 | vastberadenheid | His determination to make it to the final deserves respect.  |
| 1. self-confidence

 (n) | zelfvertrouwen | Without self-confidence it will be difficult to pass your exams.  |
| 1. reliable (adj)
 | betrouwbaar | He’s a reliable friend who’s there when he’s needed.  |
| 1. indifferent (adj)
 | onverschillig | The government can’t afford to be indifferent to public opinion. |
| 1. ruthless (adj)
 | meedogenloos | They think they have to be ruthless to make the company successful. |
| 1. curious (adj)
 | nieuwsgierig | Why are you so curious ? Do you always want to know everything ? |
| 1. to examine (v)
 | onderzoeken  | Scientists are examining the effects of alcohol on long-term memory.  |
| 1. to predict (v)
 | voorspellen | Can hurricanes be predicted ? |
| 1. to apply to (v)
 | toepassen op | The new technology is applied to farming methods.  |
| 1. breakthrough (n)
 | doorbraak | Last week scientists made a medical breakthrough. |
| 1. invention (n)
 | uitvinding | The invention of the steam engine took place in 1800. |
| 1. improvement (n)
 | verbetering | That scientist is committed to the improvement of the environment.  |
| 1. appliance (n)
 | apparaat | A dishwasher is an appliance.  |
| 1. to explore (v)
 | verkennen | Scientists are exploring Mars.  |
| 1. to detect (v)
 | ontdekken, waarnemen | High levels of lead were detected in the atmosphere.  |
| 1. to contain (v)
 | bevatten | This bottle contains a chemical fluid.  |
| 1. impact (n)
 | effect, invloed | The impact of this medical breakthrough is enormous.  |
| 1. to dilute (v)
 | verdunnen | Dilute the juice with water before you drink it.  |
| 1. advantage (n)
 | voordeel | This method has several advantages.  |
| 1. economical (adj)
 | zuinig | Big cars are usually not economical.  |
| 1. legislation (n)
 | wegeving | This new legislation will help the poor.  |
| 1. sanction (n)
 | strafmaatregel | Many nations have imposed sanctions on that country.  |
| 1. prohibition (n)
 | verbod | Lots of people do not believe in drug prohibition.  |
| 1. to ban (v)
 | verbieden | Smoking is banned in public buildings.  |
| 1. society (n)
 | samenleving | We live in multi-cultural society.  |
| 1. policy (n)
 | beleid | What’s the policy with regard to asylum seekers.  |
| 1. environment (n)
 | milieu | What does this government do for the environment ?  |
| 1. destruction (n)
 | vernietiging | The destruction of the rain forests is a disaster. |
| 1. surroundings

 (n.pl) | omgeving | Visit Plymouth and its beautiful surroundings. |
| 1. damaging to (adj)
 | schadelijk voor | Why are cars damaging to the environment ? |
| 1. favourable (adj)
 | gunstig | The weather conditions were favourable.  |
| 1. desert (n)
 | woestijn  | We had to cross the desert on camels.  |
| 1. greenhouse

 effect (n) | broeikaseffect | What exactly is the greenhouse effect ? |
| 1. additional (adj)
 | extra | Apart from this sum, are there additional costs ? |
| 1. shortage (n)
 | tekort aan, gebrek aan | There is a shortage of food in the Third World.  |
| 1. competitor (n)
 | concurrent | We have to be better than our competitors. |
| 1. to afford (v)
 | veroorloven | One day I’ll be able to afford a car like that.  |
| 1. to apply for (v)
 | solliciteren naar | After he had finished his studies he applied for a job.  |
| 1. application (n)
 | sollicitatie | He writes a letter of application.  |
| 1. caretaker (n)
 | toezichthouder, conciërge | I went to the caretaker for my lost keys.  |
| 1. challenging (adj)
 | uitdagend | Finding a cure for AIDS is challenging.  |
| 1. confident (adj)
 | zelfverzekerd | He isn’t shy at all; he’s very confident.  |
| 1. conscientious

 (adj) | plichtsgetrouw | He always finishes his work in tiem; he’s a very conscientious worker.  |
| 1. determined (adj)
 | vastbesloten | He is determined to succeed. |
| 1. hard-working

 (adj) | ijverig | They are all hard-working students.  |
| 1. in charge of (phr)
 | verantwoordelijk voor | He is in charge of the sales department.  |
| 1. to insist on (v)
 | erop staan (figuurlijk) | They insisted on having the day off.  |
| 1. reliable (adj)
 | betrouwbaar | He is a reliable friend who is there when he is needed.  |
| 1. thoughtful (adj)
 | attent | He never forgets her birthday; het is very thoughtful. |
| 1. to increase (v)
 | stijgen, omhoog gaan  | The cost of the project has increased enormously.  |
| 1. to decrease (v)
 | afnemen, verminderen | The number of visitors has decreased.  |
| 1. to accelerate (v)
 | versnellen | Dad accelerated to overtake the truck.  |
| 1. to reduce (v)
 | verminderen, laten afnemen | Reduce speed when you approach a junction.  |
| 1. limited (adj)
 | beperkt | Only a limited number of people has access to the mini concert.  |
| 1. to restrict (v)
 | beperken | The government wants to restrict the sale of alcohol.  |
| 1. to summarize (v)
 | samenvatten | How can I best summarize this article ?  |
| 1. to surrender (v)
 | overgeven | Finally, they surrendered to the enemy.  |
| 1. enterprise (n)
 | onderneming | This organization is a private interprise.  |
| 1. to manufacture

 (v) | fabriceren | His company manufactures car parts.  |
| 1. occupation (n)
 | beroep | What’s her occupation ? She is a police officer.  |
| 1. profession (n)
 | beroep | He is a doctor by profession.  |
| 1. labourer (n)
 | arbeider | The labourers left the factory at 5 pm |
| 1. unskilled (adj)
 | ongeschoold | This firm employs lots of unskilled labourers.  |
| 1. apprenticeship

 (n) | stage | I learned all sorts of skills during my apprenticeship.  |
| 1. demanding (adj)
 | veeleisend | She has a demanding job.  |
| 1. requirement (n)
 | vereiste | Is working experience a requirement ?  |
| 1. to dismiss (v)
 | ontslaan | She claims she was dismissed because of her gender.  |
| 1. to lay off (v)
 | ontslaan | He was laid off because of is misbehaviour.  |
| 1. employer (n)
 | werkgever | He was fired by his employer. |
| 1. employee (n)
 | werknemer | Lisa is a hard-working employee.  |
| 1. experienced (adj)
 | ervaren  | She is an experienced childcare worker.  |
| 1. benefit (n)
 | uitkering | 5,000 people lost their enemployment benefit because they refused a job.  |
| 1. to recover (v)
 | herstellen | It took years to recover from her heart operation.  |
| 1. to cure (v)
 | genezen  | This medicine won’t cure her.  |
| 1. to heal (v)
 | genezen | The wound healed quickly, but the scar has remained.  |
| 1. contagious (adj)
 | besmettelijk | The doctor says this disease is not contagious.  |
| 1. to neglect (v)
 | verwaarlozen | It’s a pity she had neglected her studies.  |
| 1. injury (n)
 | wond | He left the pitch with a serious ankle injury.  |
| 1. to suffocate (v)
 | stikken | The victims had suffocated in the fumes.  |
| 1. to choke (v)
 | stikken, zich verslikken | Children can choke on peanuts. |
| 1. prescription (n)
 | recept | These drugs are only available on prescription.  |
| 1. consciousness

 (n) | bewustzijn | He lost consciousness after his accident  |
| 1. to relieve (v)
 | verlichten | This medicine will relieve the pain.  |
| 1. treatment (n)
 | behandeling | She is still under treatment.  |
| 1. compaint (n)
 | klacht | He has been having stomach complaints for a week now.  |
| 1. to faint (v)
 | flauw vallen | I nearly fainted in the heat.  |
| 1. addicted to (adj)
 | verslaafd aan | He is addicted to drugs.  |