

American English vs Australian English

1. Apartment (USA) - Flat (Australia)
2. Elevator (USA) - Lift (Australia)
3. Truck (USA) - Ute (Australia)
4. Faucet (USA) - Tap (Australia)
5. Flashlight (USA) - Torch (Australia)
6. Soccer (USA) - Football (Australia)
7. Vacation (USA) - Holiday (Australia)
8. Diaper (USA) - Nappy (Australia)
9. Gasoline (USA) - Petrol (Australia)
10. Hood (USA, car part) - Bonnet (Australia)
11. Trunk (USA, car part) - Boot (Australia)
12. Windshield (USA, car part) - Windscreen (Australia)
13. Sweater (USA) - Jumper (Australia)
14. Pants (USA) - Trousers (Australia)
15. Fries (USA) - Chips (Australia)
16. Cookie (USA) - Biscuit (Australia)
17. Mailbox (USA) - Letterbox (Australia)
18. Zip code (USA) - Postcode (Australia)
19. Shopping Cart (USA) - Trolley (Australia)
20. Garbage Can (USA) - Rubbish Bin (Australia)
21. Sidewalk (USA) - Footpath (Australia)
22. Sneakers (USA) - Runners (Australia)
23. Band-Aid (USA) - Bandage/Plaster (Australia)
24. Movie Theater (USA) - Cinema (Australia)
25. Cell Phone (USA) - Mobile Phone (Australia)
26. Downtown (USA) - CBD (Central Business District) (Australia)
27. Candy (USA) - Lollies (Australia)
28. Lawyer (USA) - Solicitor (Australia)
29. Takeout (USA) - Takeaway (Australia)
30. Restroom (USA) - Toilet/WC (Australia)
31. Schedule (USA) - Timetable (Australia)

- 32. Stroller (USA) - Pram (Australia)
- 33. Popsicle (USA) - Ice Block/Icy Pole (Australia)
- 34. Drugstore (USA) - Chemist/Pharmacy (Australia)
- 35. Cab (USA) - Taxi (Australia)
- 36. Subway (USA) - Underground (Australia)
- 37. Crosswalk (USA) - Pedestrian Crossing (Australia)
- 38. Cilantro (USA) - Coriander (Australia)
- 39. Bell Pepper (USA) - Capsicum (Australia)
- 40. Liquor Store (USA) - Bottle Shop (Australia)
- 41. Recess (USA, school term) - Break (Australia)

Exercise 1. Re-write the underlined words with the Australian equivalents.

When I first moved to Melbourne, I rented an apartment near the downtown area. I took the elevator up to the third floor to check out my new living space. My cell phone buzzed; it was a message from my new soccer team about practice schedules.

I decided to walk to the nearby grocery store to pick up some essentials. I grabbed a shopping cart and started filling it with groceries.

On my way back, I noticed that my truck had a flat tire. I opened the hood to check the engine and then the trunk to get my tools. As I was fixing the tire, I cut my finger. I quickly put on a Band-Aid and continued with my work.

Once I got back to my apartment, I realized I was starving. I ordered some takeout—a burger with fries and a cookie for dessert. I sat down to eat and realized I had forgotten to buy faucet filters. I made a mental note to get one the next day.

After dinner, I decided to watch a movie. I went to the movie theater and enjoyed a film that took my mind off the hectic day.

As I walked back home, I used my flashlight to walk along the sidewalk, which was poorly lit.

Finally, back in my apartment, I felt grateful for the experiences of the day and looked forward to the rest of my vacation in Melbourne.