**UNIT 3**

**The Future of Reading in Online Revolution**

**Academic words from the NAWL list in “The Future of Reading…”**

**civilization (n)** uncountable

**Definition:** The stage of human social development and organization which is considered most advanced

*Technology is one of the benefits of modern civilization.*

Indeed human civilization and perhaps even humanity itself would not have ever developed if not for the rock.

**Example Sentence:**

* Our [century](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/century) has seen greater [climate](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/climate) changes than any [period](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/period) since the [dawn](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/dawn) of civilization.
* But there is a [sense](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/sense) in which [religion](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/religion) is no less [essential](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/essential) to civilization than [literature](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/literature) and the [fine](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/fine) [arts](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/art).
* Much of the [hostility](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/hostility) towards civilization felt by people in the [suppressed](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/suppress) classes is [understandable](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/understandable).
* Travellers often want to be constantly stimulated by the world around them and are genuinely fascinated by the diversity of humancivilization

**consciousness (n)** countable, uncountable

**Definition:**  The fact of awareness by the mind of itself and the world

My consciousness and my sense of self do seem vital to me being who I am.

**Word Form:**

conscious X unconscious

consciousness X unconsciousness

**Example Sentence:**

* We are not aware of this unity because our consciousness is covered with desires and thought.
* To have any mental states or mental life at all, a being must have some awareness or consciousness

**drain (n)** transitive

**Definition:** cause (a valuable resource) to be lost or used up:

A long climb inexorably drains your body of glycogen and liquid.

**Example Sentence:**

* This way of meeting health needs does not create a bottomless pit into which we are forced to drain all available social resources.
* In this way the agriculture is being constantly drained and the resources go to the hands of the traders.
* Resources are being drained and costs are soaring (from line charges as well as hardware costs
* Our fast-growing population is draining the water supply in many parts of the country.

**incredible (adj)**

**Definition:** extremely good, large, or great(unbelievable)

*There was blood everywhere and the pain was incredible.*

**Word Form**

Incredibly (adv)

**Example Sentence:**

* This [factory](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/factory) was [capable](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/capable) of producing an incredible 100 cars per hour.
* The [divorce](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/divorce) rate in the [U](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/u).S. is [pretty](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/pretty#pretty__5) incredible.
* For one incredible [moment](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/moment), Merrill knew a [stab](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/stab) of [envy](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/envy) of Elise.

**publish (v)** transitive

**Definition:** if a [newspaper](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/newspaper) or magazine [publishes](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/publish) a [letter](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/letter), [article](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/article) etc, it prints it for people to [read](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/read)

*We love reading your letters and we try to publish as many as possible.*

**Word Form:**

publication (n)

**Example Sentence:**

* We publish mainly [textbooks](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/textbook) and other [educational](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/educational) [materials](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/material).
* She was in England for the publication of her new book.
* He spent his holiday writing reviews for publication.

**rejection (n)** countable, uncountable

**Definition:** the act of not [accepting](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/accept), believing in, or [agreeing](http://www.ldoceonline.com/dictionary/agree) with something

*What are the reasons for his rejection of the theory?*

**Word Form:**

reject (v)

**Example Sentence:**

* Sarah rejected her brother’s offer of help.
* Gibson rejected the idea as ‘absurd’.
* Dexter completely rejected calls for his resignation.
* Inevitably, subjective evaluation became the ultimate criterion for inclusion or rejection of specific events
* The lack of an explanation may in itself be sufficient basis for rejection of the transaction
* There is also fresh evidence of the widespread rejection of GM foods by consumers