

## Chapter 4

**Target Vocabulary** (Underlining indicates a word or word form from the Academic Word List)

### **Target Vocabulary**

**actually** adv.: in fact; in reality

**blow in like the wind**: describes someone or something that arrives in a rush of energy, as if pushed or blown in by the wind

**conventional** adj.: ordinary or normal; sometimes meaning traditional

**danger** n.: something or someone that can hurt or kill you

**detective** n.: a person whose job it is to discover what has happened in a crime and to find the people involved or a person whose job is to find someone

**often** adv.: frequently; many times

**pen pal** n.: a person, often someone who you have never met who lives in another country, to whom you write letters and receive letters from

**tender** adj.: gentle and caring

**upset** adj.: worried or unhappy about something

**what's the matter?**: a question asked when you think that someone has a problem and you want to know what it is.

### **Activity 1: Definitions**

Look at the way the underlined words are used in each sentence. Match each word with the correct definition.

1. I'm actually older than she is, but most people think I'm younger.
2. It was a conventional neighborhood. Nothing about it was unusual.

3. The children didn't understand the danger of fire.
4. The detective examined the room carefully as he looked for clues.
5. My mother calls me often – at least twice a day.

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| 1. ____ actually     | a. a person whose job it is to solve crimes |
| 2. ____ conventional | b. in fact                                  |
| 3. ____ danger       | c. frequently                               |
| 4. ____ detective    | d. ordinary, not unusual                    |
| 5. ____ frequently   | e. something that can hurt or kill you      |

### Activity 2: Definitions

Complete each sentence with one of the words or phrases below. Change the word form by adding *-s*, *-ed*, *-ly* or *-ing* if necessary.

pen pal      tender      upset      what's the matter

1. \_\_\_\_\_? Why are you crying?
2. I have two \_\_\_\_\_. One lives in Brazil and the other one lives in France.
3. The news of his friend's death was \_\_\_\_\_ to him.
4. She \_\_\_\_\_ wrapped the tiny baby in a blanket.

### Activity 3: Word Families

Use the words given below to fill in the word family chart. The first one has been done for you.

|                 |                     |               |                  |               |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------|
| <u>actually</u> | <u>conventional</u> | <u>danger</u> | <u>detective</u> | <u>tender</u> |
| actual          | conventionally      | dangerously   | detect           | tenderly      |
| actuality       | convention          | dangerous     | detection        | tenderness    |

upset (3x)

upsetting

| Noun             | Noun (person) | Verb  | Adjective     | Adverb          |
|------------------|---------------|-------|---------------|-----------------|
| <i>actuality</i> | -----         | ----- | <i>actual</i> | <i>actually</i> |
|                  | -----         | ----- | conventional  |                 |
| danger           | -----         | ----- |               |                 |
|                  | detective     |       | -----         | -----           |
|                  | -----         | ----- | tender        |                 |
|                  | -----         |       | upset         | -----           |

#### Activity 4: Word Forms

Complete each sentence with the correct word.

1. The \_\_\_\_\_ time is 12:36 a.m.

actual      actually      factual      actuality

2. Most people are pretty ordinary and tend to follow \_\_\_\_\_.

convention      convene      conventional      conventionally

3. Don't drive so fast, it's \_\_\_\_\_!

danger      dangers      dangerous      dangerously

4. If you look closely at the glass you can \_\_\_\_\_ several fingerprints.

detective      detect      detected      detection

5. He gave his little granddaughter a \_\_\_\_\_ smile as he hugged her.

tender      tenderly      pretender      tenderness

6. I think I'm getting sick, my stomach feels \_\_\_\_\_.

upset      upsets      sets      upsetting