

Pantomima - group 1 (early-stage researchers)

4 easy (1 minute per MWE)

1. **a pain in the neck** - A source of annoyance, a nuisance
2. **to take the bullet by the horns** - to confront a problem head-on and deal with it openly.
3. **to spill the beans** - to give away a secret or a surprise
4. **to strike while the iron is hot** - When you have an opportunity to do something, do it before you lose your chance.

4 medium (2 minutes per MWE)

1. **cranberry word** - In linguistic morphology, a cranberry morpheme (or fossilized term) is a type of bound morpheme that cannot be assigned an independent meaning or grammatical function, but nonetheless serves to distinguish one word from the other.
2. **red tape** - The collection or sequence of forms and procedures required to gain bureaucratic approval for something, especially when oppressively complex and time-consuming.
3. **to sell like hot cakes** - to be sold very fast.
4. **to trip the light fantastic** - To dance. (in particular engage in ballroom dancing)

1 difficult (3 minutes per MWE)

1. **by and large** – on the whole, everything considered

Pantomima - group 2 (senior researchers)

4 easy (1 minute per MWE)

1. **it rains cats and dogs** - To rain very heavily.
2. **to kick the bucket** - To die.
3. **to let the cat out of the bag** - To let a secret be known.
4. **to pull strings** - make use of one's influence and contacts to gain an advantage unofficially or unfairly.

4 medium (2 minutes per MWE)

1. **a part of speech** - The parts of speech are the primary categories of words according to their function in a sentence.
2. **a piece of cake** - something easy to do.
3. **to shoot the breeze** - to chat casually and without purpose.
4. **to know which side your bread is buttered** - Be aware of where one's best interests lie.

1 difficult (3 minutes per MWE)

1. **all of a sudden** – suddenly