

# Rocks in my pack

## was

### ▶ helping verb [is, was]

- First or third person singular simple past tense indicative of 'be', e.g. *He was planning to come but then he got sick; I was waiting for the bus and I saw him drive past.*

## what

### ▶ pronoun

1. (interrogative) Used to ask questions, e.g. *What is your address? What is the time? What is your name? What did you say?*
2. (relative) The thing that, e.g. *He knows what he wants; What goes up must come down.*

### ▶ determiner

- Such; this is; that is, e.g. *What a pity; What a beautiful day! What talent he has!, What a talent!*



## wash

### ▶ verb [wash, washing, washed]

1. To clean with water, e.g. *I need to wash my hair; Wash your face after eating; Do you wash clothes by machine or by hand?*
2. To move by the force of water in motion, e.g. *The flood washed away houses; Our car got washed away in the flood waters.*



## wasp

### ▶ noun

- A stinging flying insect like a bee but larger; e.g. *Wasps have made a nest in our roof; I got stung by a wasp.*

## want

### ▶ verb [want, wanting, wanted]

- To wish for or to desire, e.g. *What do you want to eat? I want you to leave; I never wanted to go back to live with my mother; I want to be an astronaut when I'm older; I don't want him to marry Gloria, I want him to marry me! What do you want from me? Do you want anything from the shops?*

## wallet

### ▶ noun

- A man's purse; A small bag for carrying money, e.g. *A thief stole my wallet; Have a look in my wallet to see if there is any money in it.*





### water

► noun

- A clear liquid for drinking and bathing, *e.g. It is important to drink plenty of water; Your plants need more water.*

► verb [**water, watering, watered**]

- To pour water into the soil surrounding plants, *e.g. I need to water my Tulsi plants.*

### squad

► noun

1. A group of people organized for some common purpose; *e.g. The fire squad came and put out the fire; The police squad surrounded the building; I am a member of the swimming squad.*



### squash

► noun

1. A sport like tennis but played inside a building, *e.g. I like to play squash on the weekends.*
2. A vegetable, *e.g. I like to eat potato and squash.*

► verb [**squash, squashing, squashed**]

- To press; to squeeze, *e.g. Keep the bananas at the top of the bag, otherwise they will get squashed; Somehow, she squashed all her books into her backpack; We all managed to squash into Mum's tiny car; Stop squashing me!*



## when

### ► adverb

- (interrogative) Used to introduce questions about time, *e.g. When will they arrive? Do you know when they arrived?*

### ► conjunction

- The time to; at the time that *e.g. They were told when to sleep; I'm happiest when I'm working; I'll do it when I get the time; It was raining when I came yesterday.*

## whenever

### ► adverb

1. At whatever time, *e.g. Visit whenever you want to; Whenever you get into town, come by and see me.*
2. Every time, *e.g. Whenever he calls me, I always say that I am too busy to talk; Whenever it rains I get a headache.*

## which

### ► determiner

1. (interrogative) What one or ones (of those mentioned or implied), *e.g. Which is bigger? Which is which? Which one do you want?*
2. (relative) The one or ones that, *e.g. Show me which one is bigger; They couldn't decide which song to play.*

### ► pronoun

- (relative) Who; whom; what, *e.g. I saw a sign which read: PRIVATE OFFICE; We've met some problems which are very difficult to handle; He had to leave, which was very difficult; We have to protect the environment in which we live.*



## whisper

### ► verb [**whisper, whispering, whispered**]

- To talk in a quiet voice, *e.g. She whispered the secret in my ear.*

### ► noun

- a soft tone of voice, *e.g. She spoke in a whisper.*



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## whip

### ► noun

- A rope for hitting, *e.g. He used a whip on his bullocks to make sure they kept moving.*

### ► verb [whip, whipping, whipped]

1. To hit with a whip, *e.g. The man was whipping the horse to make it go faster.*
2. To mix quickly, *e.g. We need to whip the cream to make it thicker.*

## whiff

### ► noun

- A smell carried lightly through the air, *e.g. I got a whiff of her cooking and it smelt good.*

## whisk

### ► noun

- A kitchen utensil, used for whipping, *e.g. He used a whisk to whip the cream.*



## wheel

### ► noun

1. A circular device used to help vehicles to move. *e.g. A bike has two wheels and a car has four.*

### ► verb

To push along on wheels, *e.g. Wheel that trolley over here; Please help me wheel my wheelchair up the hill.*

