

# 6.4 Fifty most frequent words in written and spoken English

	Written	Spoken	Rank	Written	Spoken
1	the	the	26	by	we
2	to	I	27	me	he
3	of	you	28	her	do
4	a	and	29	they	got
5	and	to	30	not	that's
6	in	it	31	are	for
7	I	a	32	an	this
8	was	yeah	33	this	just
9	for	that	34	has	all
10	that	of	35	been	there
11	it	in	36	up	like
12	on	was	37	were	one
13	he	is	38	out	be
14	is	it's	39	when	right
15	with	know	40	one	not
16	you	no	41	their	don't
17	but	oh	42	she	she
18	at	so	43	who	think
19	his	but	44	if	if
20	as	on	45	him	with
21	be	they	46	we	then
22	my	well	47	about	at
23	have	what	48	will	about
24	from	yes	49	all	are
25	had	have	50	would	as

**6.5 General Academic Word List (Nation and Waring 1997:16).**

accompany	formulate	index	major	objective
biology	genuine	indicate	maintain	offer
comply	hemisphere	individual	maximum	passive
deficient	homogeneous	job	modify	persist
edit	identify	labour	negative	quote
feasible	ignore	locate	notion	random