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## ESL Podcast 2 – Most Common Academic Vocabulary: Part 2

# Glossary

## 1) to be based on

to use an idea, a fact, a situation, etc. as the point from which something can be developed

- The report is based on figures from six different European cities.
- His hypothesis is based on the assumption that tax cuts would stimulate the economy.

#### 2) to be applied to

to be relevant; to be concerned or related to somebody/something

• This finding can be applied both in business and theoretical psychology.

#### 3) to be associated with

to associate means to make a connection between people or things in your mind

- This study is usually associated with early research in marketing.
- The hypothesis is not associated with Freud's approach.

#### 4) to account for

to be the explanation or cause of something, to explain

• The oil crisis accounts for low business activity.

#### 5) to involve

to make somebody / something take part in something

- The five researchers involved in the study hold PhD degrees in medicine.
- The oil industry is critically involved in the Russian economy.

## 7) to be required for

to be needed; to be dependent on somebody/something

• Carbon and oxygen are two elements that are required for all living organisms.

## 8) to be included in

to take in as part of a group

• The results came in too late to be included in our study. (from Merriam-Webster.com)

## 9) to occur in

to exist or be found somewhere

• Sugar occurs naturally in fruit.

## 10) to consist of

to be composed or made up of

• The gross domestic product consists of consumption, investment, government spending, and net exports.

## 11) in the early stages of

occurring near the beginning of a period of time or development



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In the early stages of Alzheimer's disease, minor forgetfulness and disorientation are common.

#### 12) from somebody's perspective

from ...'s point of view

• It is difficult to analyze the financial crisis from a global perspective.

## Sample Text

From the perspective of Forbes' 2011 report on the world's billionaires, the significant Russian presence is an interesting comment on the country's economy. Fourteen Russians are **included in** the world's 100 wealthiest individuals, and there are a total of 101 Russian billionaires on the list. Moscow has 79 billionaires, the highest number of any city in the world. Six billionaires are **involved with** the oil company TNK-BP, making this firm one of a small group whose profits have **led to** billionaire status for key employees. Natural resources such as oil and metals **account for** the wealth of many Russian billionaires, while the status of others **is based on** services such as banking and telecommunications. Some of the billionaires worked their way up from humble beginnings: **in the early stages of** his life, the wealthiest Russian on the list worked as a mechanic. The growth of the Russian super-rich also **occurs in** the other BRIC countries. Together, 25% of the world's billionaires list **consists of** billionaires in Brazil, Russia, India, and China. These emerging economies **are associated with** rapid advancement and their GDP is expected to surpass the G7 countries in the near future.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Source: http://www.forbes.com/sites/luisakroll/2011/03/09/the-worlds-billionaires-2011-inside-the-list/ Voices: Imanni Wilkes Burg and Zhenya Bakin