

Introduction to Pattern Grammar

Worksheet 1A

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English for the adjective *afraid*.

1. How many different meanings does *afraid* have?
2. Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *afraid*.
3. Are these different meanings associated with particular patterns?

1. here, Lieutenant Andrews?" I'm afraid I can't make any comment at this
2. Laughs) Literally. Gwendolen: I'm afraid I don't have experience in anything
3. here, Lieutenant Andrews?" I'm afraid I can't make any comment at this
4. can't tell you. 3rd MAN: I'm afraid I can't help you- except with
5. light to encourage others. I'm afraid I had to laugh when Mr Blunkett
6. over. So on to the world Cup. I'm afraid I'm not all that convinced Colin
7 get him to change his behavior, I'm afraid we're going to have to show that we
8 indicating a fallen elm nearby, I'm afraid we've just cut it down!" Oh, never
9 her an amicable grin. Well, I'm afraid you are out of luck. This one is
10 living on his royalties. But I'm afraid Billy's got it wrong again. He
11 fan ended on an upbeat note. I'm afraid England were out for a hundred and
12 indeed. Belgium,deja vu? Yes, I'm afraid, folks, it's beginning to look that
13 tax prior to--to that, but I was afraid that I would have problems, so I went to
14 really afraid of the strike. She was afraid that it wasn't going to work.
15 of Patrick's shows. But he was afraid that she would be offended by close-to
16 in numerical order, but I was afraid that his poor social skills would
17 that's what I was afraid of. I was afraid that nobody would believe me.
18 oman without using condoms but I am afraid that's going to put them off.
19 end of some of this stuff. And I'm afraid that if more comes out, it's just a
20 when we start getting close as I'm afraid that if we have sex, they will
21 still. I stood there. I was afraid that if I opened the door, I should
22 I had regained my equilibrium; I was afraid that if she thought I was still in
23 got her hands full ... and Kick, I'm afraid that if I lean too hard on him for
24 would go after it full tilt. He was afraid that if anyone started looking for
25 already had. They were shy and afraid of being criticized for the way
26 they're afraid--I sense they're afraid of being blamed. They're afraid
27 program, software. Many people are afraid of being overwhelmed by the
28 gassed in his bedroom. He was also afraid of being poisoned and he had his
29 crime was soaring because cops were afraid of being branded racists. He said
30 for me though. At the time I wasn't afraid of being caught as it was exciting.
31 know, the beauty of the art, but I'm afraid that's not what our students see
32 love may work for some but I'm afraid it will not work for you. You need
33 That's what I'd like to do, but I'm afraid I'm not very good at it which
34 won Book of the Year but I'm afraid I could not understand what he said
35 so much on that outfit, but I'm afraid you have not won an award this
37 She won't mind. But he was so afraid of hurting you and of your
38 is not your transmission, but he's afraid of feeling foolish in front of the
39 Her ex-husband said she used to be afraid of flying but conquered her fear
40 no longer grasp the oars and he was afraid of dying in the blackness of the
41 with a family, yet part of me is afraid of commitment. I don't want to get
42 But he's so sharp--and he's not afraid of hard work. And at his age he's
43 who did not appear to be at all afraid of death. As a dying man, I can
44 a risk, but she was not one to be afraid of risks. Tell me, Shaerl. I want
45 First of all, banks are still afraid to loan. They're really very
46 fear. Techno fear is when people are afraid to press the buttons of a machine
47 in that I have a skipper who's not afraid to lead from the front. The
48 in the action and Chereau is not afraid to tell it how it was - Charles IX
49 that Hall and others like him were afraid to rock the boat, believing that
50 the old girl sick? They mustn't be afraid to tell me. I want to know. I know

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Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English for the verb *manage*.

Worksheet 1B

- 1 How many different meanings does *manage* have?
- 2 Identify the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *manage*.
- 3 Are these different meanings associated with particular patterns?

1. If you can afford it, and if you can manage it, that's the way to go.' As rice
2. leave for a few days? I think he can manage it. And I've telephoned Rachel. She'
3. formally, 'I'm so pleased you could manage it. Won't you come inside?' The
4. overflow; some people can never manage it, especially in our century,
5. concerns as well, as to how we will manage it. And appreciate that until you'
6. exercising because they just cannot manage it anymore, but some struggle on,
7. us instead." Of course, no one ever managed to prove that the two policemen we
8. T Alex was in bed when he finally managed to get upstairs, his first hours
9. a colleague and I eventually managed to restrain him. There was a lot
10. three years. Sophie has finally managed to quit heroin and has been clean
11. enough to hold on until we somehow managed to pull him to the deck where he
12. collapsed on my single bed. He then managed to finish the scotch and screw me.
13. and explained why. 'How will you manage?' Senna asked. 'I'll be all right.
14. went their way unchecked. How can we manage?' Aimee Diderot asked. 'I should
15. feel my way and guide you." Can you manage?" Rick's voice vibrated. 'It's like
16. How's it all going, how are you managing? Elsie said this evening, people
17. days a week for 26 weeks. How do you manage?" Danny: 'This is the technical
18. success. That is to say that he is managing to get the things published and,
19. according to Greg, because he was managing to keep on working at more or less
20. SEXY girl band Back Alley have been managing to make a name for themselves. For
21. around because fewer people are managing to fiddle the taxman. He also
22. said: 'This shows our staff are managing to do a very good job despite
23. busy and run off our feet but are managing to cope. I thought we were doing fine
24. on how well their country was managing the environment. 'Australia's
25. period of that--time I have been managing this campaign, Mr. Perot and I
26. the incompetent way ministers are managing the NHS." IRA back on war
27. her grandfather. One day you'll be managing all this, Nicky," he told her. She
28. manner in which Ernst and Young are managing the project. The EC confirmed that
29. supply of everything you need to manage and save your money and your time!
30. learn techniques that allow you to manage and deal with stress more
31. 500 left behind at Clark Air Base to manage and provide security. He says the
32. solution- a not-for-profit trust to manage and maintain the track and
33. a few weeks ago, they were able to manage and motivate a staff of 20 and
34. the target of misguided attempts to manage costs to the employer who buys the
35. about weight helps the therapist to manage medical situations that might
36. solution, of using displacement to manage her pain, this cultural defense,
37. ideas. Delores, the alter trying to manage life and the demands of this world,
38. differed, however, on how best to manage the transition from an agrarian
39. and denied states the right to manage their own affairs; he also
40. and mango sauce. Middlethorpe is managed by Malcolm Broadbent and is owned
41. within the piles. But a study managed by Britain's Natural Environment
42. rights of the user on rivers are managed by British Waterways and the
43. in August. The lucky duo are being managed by Whitney Houston's artist to.
44. the same name. The mine will be managed by giant UK mining house RTZ,
45. CARTY Pat Carberry, 34, has managed a Kwik Save store in Handsworth,
46. Minister and Frank Dobson have mis-managed the NHS. Nor will it impress the
47. his own ability were unfounded; he managed the London Office efficiently and
48. of seven hotel clubs. She has managed the Fulham branch for four months.
49. is a former senator from Berlin and managed the German business of Citibank,
50. million deal with IBM. Big Blue will manage the Co-op's network of cash

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Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English for the noun *time*.

Worksheet 1C

1. How many different meanings does *time* have?
2. Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *time*.
3. Are these different meanings associated with particular patterns?

1 Caddick his fourth wicket, the first time he has taken so many in a one-day
2 a really good young keeper. The last time he was here we had a long unbeaten
3 People tend to do better the second time they take a test, after they have
4 and even do their ironing. The only time we sleep together is at weekends but
5 saw here, that is incredible. The one time he did pull the book out was for Don
6 seven, even though this is the third time it's been released. It's just a pity
7 where your cursor is. The next time you work on that document, you can
8 They were total hangers-on. Every time they went out, Russell paid." Just
9 services -- One individual taking time to visit with another who is unable
10 then after while you know, it takes time to heal, and I'm still not
11. year on the grounds that it takes time to build up enough expertise
12 There are periods you don't even get time to sit down and eat dinner. You're
13 moment I just feel as though I need time to take in everything that is
14 up your love life, which means making time to be together and having fun. Read
15 afraid she's a bit late." what time was she supposed to be here?" I'
16 Gil chuckled softly and asked: "what time is it?" He looked at his wrist
17 ite uptown," Brooks amplified. "what time were you planning lunch?" Half
18 I would call Terry and say, "what time are you coming home? and he'd say
19 okay then. Erm all right well what time are you coming over in the morning?
20 any time won't you basically. what time are you thinking of coming?
21 New York. Bob Edwards, host: The time is 21 minutes before the hour. This
22 gradually changing as we turned. The time was then 01.12. I woke again
23 Office for the Census Bureau. The time is 19 minutes past the hour. Bob
24 to us from Dhahran, Saudi Arabia. The time is now 21 minutes before the hour.
25 item, ending with a loud hiccup. The time was now 12.29 and fifty-five
26 exclusively for News of the world The time was 3.27pm, the venue New Brighton
27 for years and years, and that it was time to give someone else a chance to do
28 to her guns, Phil decides it is time to make life difficult for her.
29 Very Rev Joseph Devine said: "It is time to forgive and forget." Former
30 oli yawned and then said, "Now it is time to sleep. We must hunt tomorrow, or
31 of the bonce with her elbow. It was time to throw in the towel. I was well
32 mother and I finally decided it was time to get someone to look after her.
33 strongly about this because it is time that these kind of things must stop
34 saturated with such people and it is time that politicians recognised that it
35 be in a tight spot. But maybe it is time that you were forced into a position
36 being broken in opera, perhaps it is time that more black and Asian people saw
37 was being ignored and that it was time that someone paid attention to her.
38 for good reading, but maybe it is time that one airline learned its lesson
39 enough for anybody. I think it is time for me to hang up my boots. The game
40 have enjoyed knowing her but it is time for her to move on. Then sit down Martina,
41 The Garda need to accept that it is time for change. Nobody can reasonably
42 want to refute. She judged it was time for her to go; she could depend on
43 here." More tears. I decided it was time for a break. So I rambled over to
44 bath or the steam room until it is time for another 15 minutes of pure joy.
45 behind him. Yuletide is an emotional time for any turkey, what with the risk
46 in emerging markets makes this a good time for long-term investors to establish
47 remarks such as "Did you have a nice time in Switzerland?" or "Oh, hello Alex,
48 Even sterling, which has had a torrid time in the currency markets, has gained
49 Face value. It was 1992, and a dark time for Honda. The legendary founder,
50 n't planned but it's come at a great time in both their lives. They're both thrilled

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