



**University of
Birmingham**

An Introduction to Pattern Grammar

Dr Crayton Walker



University of
Birmingham

Pattern Grammar

Patterns and Meaning

Dr Crayton Walker

Introduction to Class – Setting up Group Activity

10 mins

STEP 1

Group A

Participants work with
Worksheet 1A

ADJECTIVE
afraid

Group B

Participants work with
Worksheet 1B

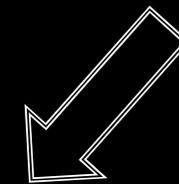
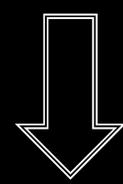
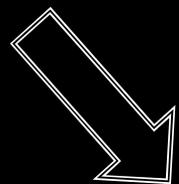
VERB
manage

Group C

Participants work with
Worksheet 1C

NOUN
time

20 mins



Groups Present and Share their Findings

Conclusion 1 different meanings of a word are associated with different patterning

20 mins

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the adjective *afraid* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *afraid*.

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

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the adjective *afraid* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *afraid*.

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

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the adjective *afraid* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *afraid*.

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.

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the adjective *afraid* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with *afraid*.

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

Adjective

afraid

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.

A

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

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

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

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

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English July 2018

Different Patterns Associated with Different Meanings of *afraid*

afraid = *sorry*

subject	v-link	ADJ	N	v group
<i>I</i>	<i>'m</i>	<i>afraid</i>	<i>I</i>	<i>can't</i>

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

afraid = *anxious*

subject	v-link	ADJ	that clause
<i>I</i>	<i>was</i>	<i>afraid</i>	<i>that if I opened</i>

Pattern 84
page 402

- 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.
 21 still. I stood there. I was afraid that if I opened the door, I should

afraid = *anxious*

subject	v-link	ADJ	of	noun group/-ing
<i>he</i>	<i>'s</i>	<i>afraid</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>feeling foolish</i>

Pattern 98
page 453

- 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
 41 with a family, yet part of me is afraid of commitment. I don't want to get



Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the verb *manage* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the verb *manage*.

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,

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the verb *manage* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the verb *manage*.

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.

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the verb *manage* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the verb *manage*.

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

Here are 50 concordance lines taken from the Bank of English.

How many different meanings does the verb *manage* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the verb *manage*.

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

Verb

manage

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

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English July 2018

B

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

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

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,

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

Different Patterns Associated with Different Meanings of *manage**manage = cope*

subject	modal verb	Verb	object
<i>you</i>	<i>can</i>	<i>manage</i>	<i>it</i>

Pattern 1
page 7

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

manage = cope

subject	adv	Verb	to infinitive
<i>he</i>	<i>finally</i>	<i>managed</i>	<i>to get</i>

Pattern 8
page 89

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

manage = run

subject	verb or verb group	noun group
<i>she</i>	<i>has managed</i>	<i>the Fulham branch</i>

Pattern 2
page 32

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.

How many different meanings does the noun *time* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the noun *time*.

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



How many different meanings does the noun *time* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the noun *time*.

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

How many different meanings does the noun *time* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the noun *time*.

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?"

How many different meanings does the noun *time* have?

Identify some of the most frequent grammatical patterns associated with the noun *time*.

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 Brighto

Noun

time

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.

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English October 2018



Noun

time

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

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English October 2018



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.

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English October 2018



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

Concordance lines taken from the Bank of English October 2018



Different Patterns Associated with Different Meanings of *time**time* = occasion

det	ord / ADJ	Noun	Pronoun
<i>the</i>	<i>first</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>he</i>

Pattern 19
page 108

- 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

time = point

subject	v-link	Noun	to-infinitive
<i>it</i>	<i>is</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>to forgive</i>

Pattern 21
page 120

- 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
 32 mother and I finally decided it was time to get someone to look after her.

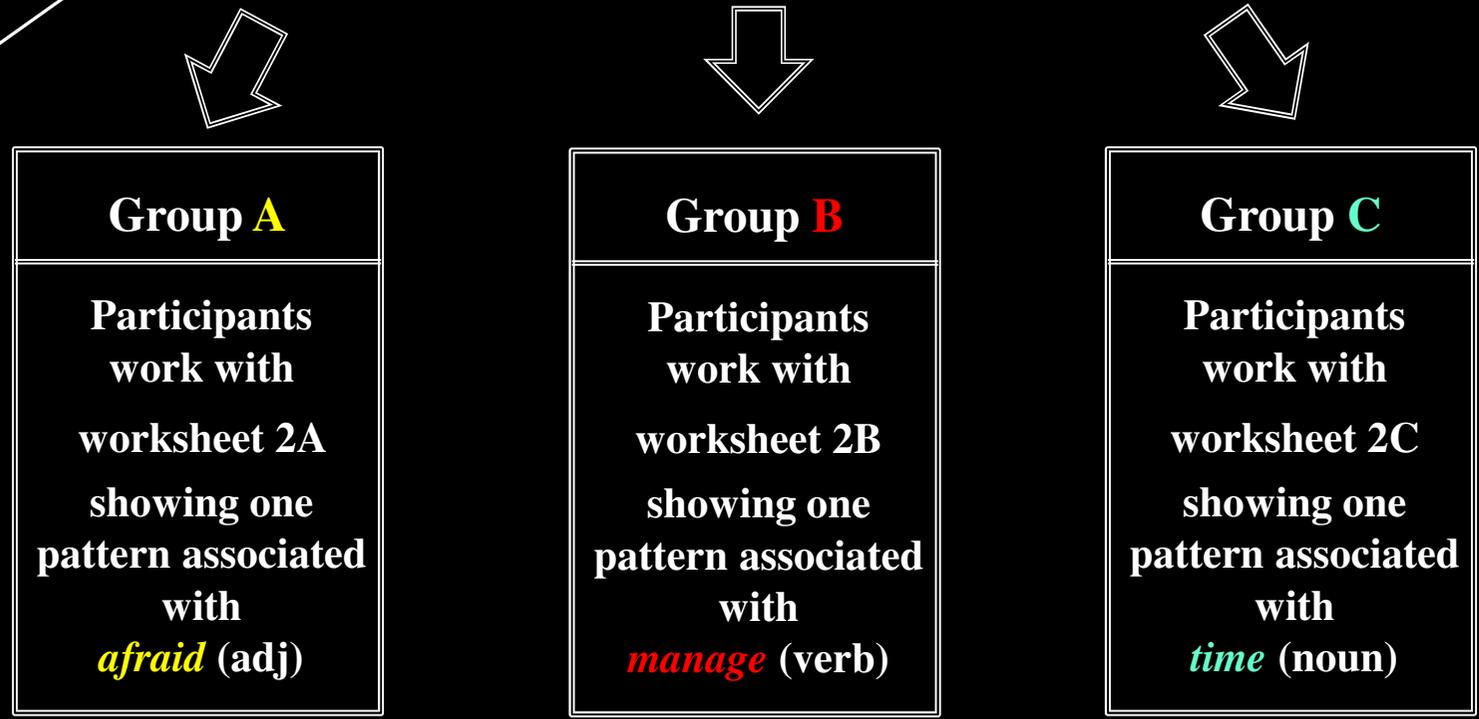
time = period

det	ADJ	Noun	in/for	Noun or noun phrase
<i>a</i>	<i>nice</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>in</i>	<i>Switzerland</i>

Pattern 16
page 89

- 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,

STEP 2



15 mins

Groups Present and Share their Findings

Conclusion 2 Patterns have meaning, they are associated with 'meaning groups' i.e. groups of words with a similar or related meaning

20 mins



University of
Birmingham

Pattern Grammar

Meaning Groups

Dr Crayton Walker

Let's take one of the patterns associated with the adjective *afraid*.
(Book 2, Pattern 84, page 400*), namely;

pronoun	v-link	adjective	that clause
I	am	afraid	that

Put the adjectives together into 'meaning groups'.

1 prior to--to that, but I was **afraid** that I would have problems, so I went to
 2 afraid of the strike. She was **afraid** that it wasn't going to work.
 3 of Patrick's shows. But he was **afraid** that she would be offended by close-to
 4 owner. As it matures I am **afraid** that it is likely to get worse.
 5 He told journalists: 'I am **afraid** that the present British government is
 6 talk to me." However, she is **adamant** that polygamy is not a good thing. 'The
 7 the England kit bag. He was **adamant** that he could never find satisfactory
 8 substitute, for his pain. He is **angry** that the treatment was abandoned as too
 9 after a restless night. He was **angry** that promised medical supplies had not
 10 of the Treaty, but he was **anxious** that any new Hispano-Portuguese agreement
 11 selling them. He was **anxious** that the birds should be provided with
 12 questioned by police I am **ashamed** that I didn't know my rights. I didn't
 13 officials said they are **aware** that groups of Muslim refugees are on the
 14 to everything and if you are **aware** that what you are going to say will cause
 15 the Sun Metals dispute. I was **aware** that there was a level of dissatisfaction
 16 practitioners, and I am **certain** that some of my readers will disagree
 17 He dismissed them all. He was **certain** that the court would believe his story."
 18 up for a great deal. She was **certain** that Anna and Johannes would love it
 19 of nuclear weapons. So we are **certain** that we can test the intention of our
 20 left than I have, I am **confident** that I can complete my apprenticeship
 21 with the changes and we are **confident** that our customers will want to buy at
 22 s success of 1998. We are **confident** that the new structure will add value to
 23 with Down's Syndrome. I was **conscious** that people might say, 'It is all very
 24 within the district I was **conscious** that tenants were you know, there was
 25 Kurds' perspective, they were **fearful** that the act of releasing this evidence



Let's take one of the patterns associated with the adjective *afraid*.
(Book 2, Pattern 84, page 400*), namely;

Put the adjectives together into 'meaning groups'.

pronoun	v-link	adjective	that clause
I	am	afraid	that

26 put it: `Perhaps we were **fortunate** that we were born Gentiles and citizens
 27 even more nauseous, and she was **glad** that she had not been selected to play
 28 not his real name, and he was **glad** that his hunch had proved correct; he'd
 29 shops as they promised, I am **grateful** that the police protected my civil
 30 work with, you know, they were **happy** that it finally started. They look at it
 31 of the patient - said he was **happy** that adequate steps had been taken to
 32 in her last letter that she is **happy** that you'll stay a little longer, and
 33 in committee. He was **heartbroken** that this frivolous and ill-thought-out
 34 region are excellent. I am **hopeful** that an announcement in this regard can
 35 the problem. But said he was **hopeful** that the difficulties could be overcome.
 36 the state. And he was **indignant** that Mr Said should have been arrested
 37 The NHS needs more money. I am **lucky** that the treatment I have received is
 38 Mr Cook said he was **optimistic** that a few remaining points would be
 39 Mr. Miller says he is **optimistic** that the taste will match that of the
 40 the officer on this; she was **positive** that her report was accurate. An attempt
 41 either side. He said: `I am **proud** that two great English clubs are
 42 about working part-time. I am **proud** that the Met is recognising the need to
 43 the new qualifications, and I am **sure** that your school is trying to anticipate
 44 Mark Ella. But one day I am **sure** that Jonny will be England's fly-half. It
 45 onto the cinders. We were **thankful** that we didn't have to attend this
 46 Tony has died but we are **thankful** that his wife is not too badly hurt. She
 47 Secretariat of State he was **unaware** that the Vatican was already secretly
 48 Sgt Hayes also said he was **unaware** that the couple owed money to the
 49 Sue Lawley. `I was **unhappy** that we were taking photographs of them
 50 to rebuild as it is, and I am **unsure** that your excessive attention to their



Meaning Groups Associated with Pattern 84

subject	v-link	ADJ	that clause
<i>I</i>	<i>am</i>	<i>afraid</i>	<i>that</i>

Pattern 84
page 400

indignant
sad
angry
livid
unhappy
heartbroken

angry
group

afraid
anxious
fearful

fearful
group

aware
conscious
unaware

aware
group

fortunate
thankful

thankful
group

hopeful
optimistic

hopeful
group

certain
sure
adamant
confident
positive

sure
group

Let's take one of the patterns associated with the verb *manage*
(Book 1, Pattern 8, page 87), namely;

Put the verbs together into 'meaning groups'.

subject	adverb	verb	to-infinitive
I	finally	managed	to prove

1. for an allied attack before he finally **agreed** to cooperate with the UN
2. and "After the Ball," before he finally **agreed** to give up what he called
3. for the first album. Even when they finally **agreed** to let me produce myself
4. and was cold and tired when she finally **agreed** to take a pill about 3am
5. by his experience in Tunis. when he finally **arrived** to see for himself what
6. immaturity of men. That was when I finally **began** to think for myself, and it
7. win the second at a gallop, they finally **began** to wake up and get behind
8. to go home to bed. Even so, she finally **began** to feel safe. She had since
9. critics and other artists. when they finally **came** to accept this work
10. He drove for three days, and when he finally **came** to realize what he was doing
11. mine of information. From him, I finally **came** to understand the process by
12. sit staring for hours and hours. I finally **came** to understand that he was
13. the country we wanted to live on. We finally **chose** to move to the Pacific
14. he claims was involved and why he finally **chose** to resign 3 hrs. 21 minutes
15. another source of trouble, they finally **condescended** to give her a form to
16. who had emigrated to Germany, he finally **consented** to go in return for the
17. a challenge-something tougher. I finally **dared** to admit to myself that I
18. moans and screeches. Terrified, he finally **dared** to look outside, and saw two
19. and broke into their cars. She finally **decided** to act when her son's
20. band. It's just ironic that when we finally **decided** to call it a day one of
21. would wreck their romance. They finally **decided** to go public last month
22. in April and three months later he finally **decided** to take the plunge. Ian
23. to her computer screen. when she finally **deigned** to speak to him, it was to
24. even refused to even see me. when I finally **did get** to see FX came out and
25. I wasn't even embarrassed when we finally **emerged** to find a queue of

Let's take one of the patterns associated with the verb *manage*
(Book 1, Pattern 8, page 87), namely;

Put the verbs together into 'meaning groups'.

subject	adverb	verb	to-infinitive
I	finally	managed	to prove

26. change these procedures. when we finally **got** to see a doctor with Jessie,
 27. wall behind the bedstead. when he finally **got** to sleep, the dreamer found
 28. huge sense of relief. But when I finally **got** to talk to him later that
 29. life, Lady James reflects, that she finally **grew** to value her own father's
 30. had adult and tense overtones. I finally **learned** to cook when I left home
 31. days they had together after they finally **learned** to listen to each othe
 32. of being pushed around before we finally **managed** to get on a train out of
 33. But he never returned home. when I finally **managed** to get hold of him he said
 34. pill herself. `It wasn't easy but I finally **managed** to persuade a friend to go
 35. murderer Fred West has told how she finally **managed** to rebuild her shattered
 36. was not the right one. And when she finally **paused** to look more minutely at
 37. Moore lifted the world Cup, they finally **promised** to put that right. <p> A
 38. to such a point, I am told, that he finally **refused** to make any French
 39. called the police! And after you finally **returned** to collect the car, why
 40. page prepared statement in which he finally **started** to discuss some of the
 41. his parents' Merseyside home as he finally **started** to become aware of the
 42. feel his thoughts were far away. He finally **started** to speak, although he did
 43. the blinds of his hotel room when he finally **succumbed** to sleep. He awoke with
 44. but none of them would talk. when I finally **threatened** to invite Ross Benson
 45. Apart from saying that when they finally **tried** to play, they were found
 46. they tormented him without mercy; he finally **tried** to fight them," T.R.
 47. that determined how and why he finally **tried** to deal with domestic
 48. I took it as a good sign that as I finally **waited** to take possession of the
 49. on and off for several years, and I finally **wanted** to know what they were."
 50. and more and more, and--and when I finally **went** to work, then I started

Verb

Meaning Groups Associated with Pattern 8

subject	adv	Verb	to-infinitive
<i>I</i>	<i>finally</i>	<i>managed</i>	<i>to persuade</i>

Pattern 8
page 87

tried
managed
got (to talk)

managed
group

emerged (to find)
arrived
returned

emerged
group

came (to accept)
learned
grew (to value)

learned
group

agreed
promised
decided
chose
wanted
deigned
consented
(refused)

agreed
group

paused
waited

paused
group

started
began

started
group

B

Noun

Let's take one of the patterns associated with the noun *time*
(Book 1, Pattern 4, page 297*), namely;

Put the verbs together into 'meaning groups'.

subject	Verb	Noun	to-infinitive
it	takes	time	to heal

1. when a draft begins this badly, it takes **ages** to sort it out." Greens go
2. are medium spiced and so filling it takes **ages** to eat a pack. They are also
3. so on. Even if we did get new ones it takes **ages** to adapt them so they can be
4. once, Stephen. Today of all days." It takes **balls** to face up to realities,
5. s Best Selling Business Magazine." It takes **balls** to run that sort of slogan,
6. making is the new rock'n'roll, it takes **brains** to be more than a one-hit
7. and instinct of a lifetime. It takes **bravery** to dare to trust one's
8. and brave enough--because it takes **bravery** to change and to bring perfect,
9. has a lot of character flaws. It takes **character** to resign and I don't
10. downtown Petra. I say climb", but it takes **character** to defy the locals on-the-
11. person, it's hard to handle. It takes **commitment** to keep up.' To go this
12. about the young Esther -- and it takes **confidence** to carry on with a
13. when people get into a rut it takes **courage** to change. But the choice
14. about what was happening because it takes **courage** to do the right thing. He
15. live and work with others as well. It takes **courage** to say what you think and
16. of like an envelope. Apparently it takes **days** to learn how to do the perfect
17. the entry of take at work and like it takes **days** to go through it 'cos it's
18. manager of HSBC bank, admits that it takes **decades** to check the progress of
19. to chewing tobacco. Given that it takes **decades** to build the kind of
20. of strong, sculpted, sexy legs. It takes **determination** to reshape your body
21. free, enjoyable evening. But it takes **discipline** to use this technique
22. It's what you're meant to do." It takes **discipline** to be involved, not to
23. seen each other the week before. It takes **effort** to keep friendships going,
24. investment of time and effort. It takes **effort** to be on time. Reliability
25. language, and we know that it takes **energy** to do things. For example,

Noun

Let's take one of the patterns associated with the noun *time*
(Book 1, Pattern 4, page 297*), namely;

Put the verbs together into 'meaning groups'.

subject	Verb	Noun	to-infinitive
it	takes	time	to heal

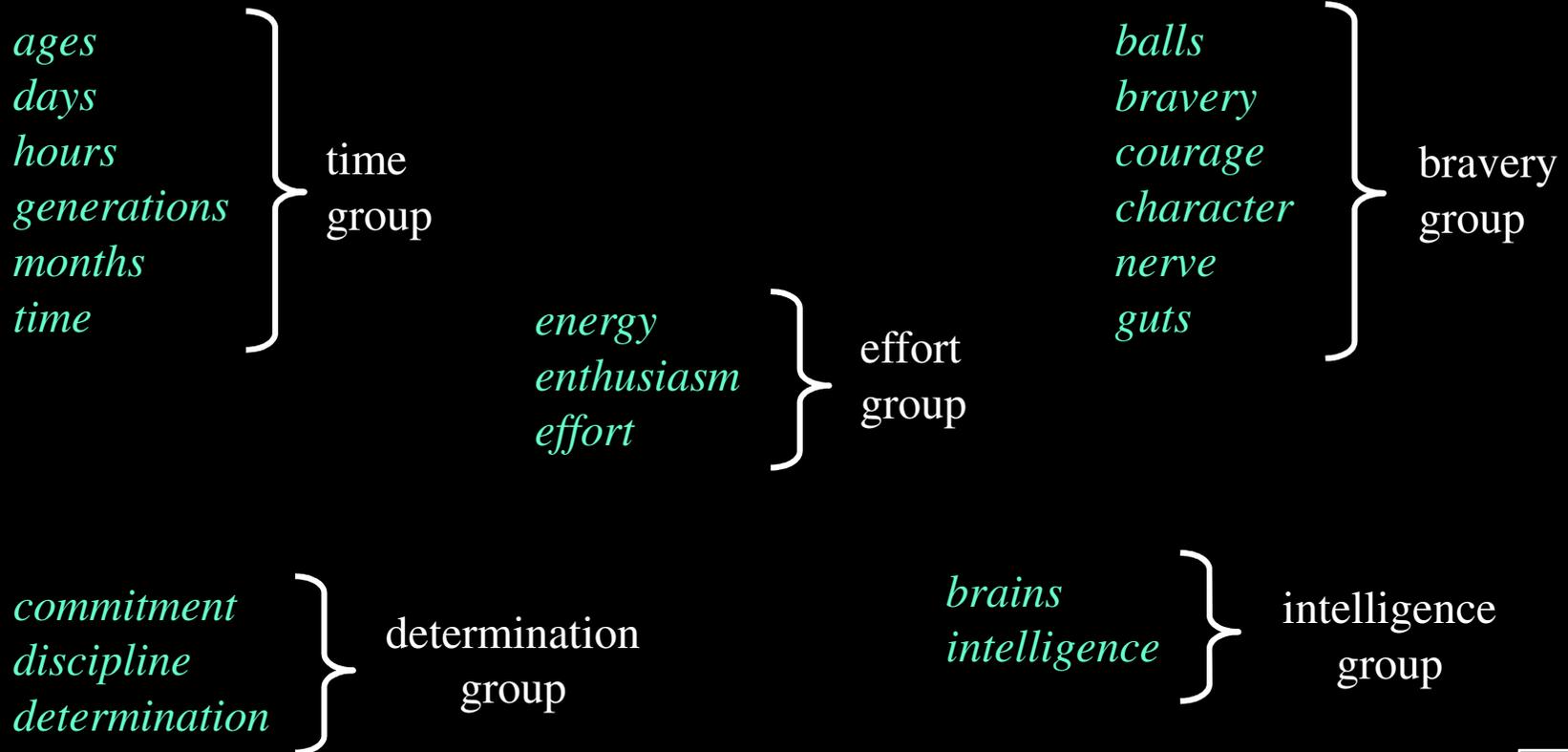
26. find the energy necessary to grow. It takes **energy** to be a healthy man. The
27. You won't be selling our house. It takes **enthusiasm** to flog a sodding tea-
28. even to folks with a good eye. It takes **experience** to know how to get
29. you will be unable to walk again." It takes **faith** to hold on to a cure or
30. language" of its surroundings. It takes **generations** to build up tolerances
31. the media having a go at you. But it takes **guts** to do the job properly. Clubs
32. year to promote the 's lifestyle. It takes **guts** to do what they do, and when
33. when Parliament reassembles, it takes **hours** to deal with them. For a
34. of guy. When your kid is sick, it takes **hours** to reach a doctor. You
35. in the British House of Commons, it takes **ingenuity** to use concern about the
36. between unrelated individuals. It takes **intelligence** to monitor the level
37. out of trouble and off the street. It takes **intelligence** to know right from
38. to the classic version, but it takes **minutes** to cook. And it won't break
39. problems and some may fold. It takes **money** to run shows and trials, and
40. as they did before their babies. It takes **months** to develop a proper lump but
41. trade unions that oppose reform. It takes **months** to get a new idea accepted
42. have quit years ago. Dick said it takes **nerve** to do what you did. Myers?" I'
43. get much practice in writing them. It takes **practice** to get the knack. You will
44. plan. Credit where it is due. It takes **skill** to hold the attention of Congress
45. for next year on the grounds that it takes **time** to build up enough expertise
46. But then after while--you know, it takes **time** to heal, and I'm still not
47. television, and they insisted it takes **time** to develop new programs and
48. and columnist Linda Gilbey. It takes **years** to crack the code of Northern
49. stretch them. Time is essential - it takes **years** to undo psychological damage.
50. regulatory bodies before: It takes **years** to get them up and running."

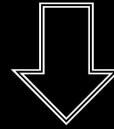


Meaning Groups Associated with Pattern 21

subject	Verb	Noun	to infinitive
<i>it</i>	<i>takes</i>	<i>time</i>	<i>to develop</i>

Pattern 21
Page 118





**S
T
E
P
3**

Summary by Trainer

A short summary to this session covering what has been discovered

We have discovered two key principles associated with Pattern Grammar:

- 1. Most words are polysemous but (the good news is) we can identify the different meanings by looking at the patterns**
- 2. The patterns themselves often hold a meaning and are associated with one of more groups of words with a similar or related meaning (meaning groups).**

15 mins

BBC



IT'S ABOUT TIME

BBC

DOCTOR WHO

SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER

BBC one



**IT'S ABOUT
TIME**







the
programme's

IT'S ABOUT
TIME

