## **Example Sentences for Nouns Set Four**

Listen to the accompanying MP3 and read these sentences. This will train your brain to master these words.

**Behemoth** = something very large and powerful

Edifice = a large and impressive building

**Connoisseur** = someone who knows a lot about a particular thing and enjoys it a lot

Mania = extreme enthusiasm and interest in something

**Pact** = a promise between people or organisations

The city is sprawling **behemoth** that seems to have no beginning and no end.

So large and powerful is the **behemoth** company that some say it is more powerful than the government.

Investors in Silicon Valley are trying to find the **behemoth** technology companies of the future.

My favourite animal has to be the whale. It's a **behemoth**, but there's also something beautiful and graceful about it.

After years of neglect, the magnificent 18th-century **edifice** was restored to its original beauty.

Tourist: Can you tell me where the cathedral is?

Tour guide: Certainly. Keep following this path for a mile or so, and you'll see a grey stone **edifice.** The cathedral is next to it.

Last year I visited Egypt and the Great Pyramid of Giza. When I first saw this magnificent **edifice,** my jaw dropped.

Experts are trying to save the crumbling 1000-year-old edifice from collapse.

Tim: So, tell me about your new girlfriend.

Dan: Her name's Cathy and she's really into music. She's a connoisseur of jazz and classical.

My daughter is fascinated with anything related to Japan: the food, the art, the culture. I would describe her as a **connoisseur** of Japan.

Lisa: Recently I've taken up dance. I go to ballet and salsa classes on the weekends.

Kim: So you're a bit of a dance **connoisseur** now? Impressive!

Even though the wealthy man owns dozens of famous and beautiful paintings, he wouldn't describe himself as an art **connoisseur**.

During the 1960s there was a **mania** for the band The Beatles, which now has its own word: Beatlemania.

The British have such a love for drinking tea that some observers might call it a mania.

James Bond has a mania for car chases, shootouts and fast-living.

Brad: I'm going on a diet from today. Only fruit, vegetables and other healthy food from now.

Claire: Why the sudden health mania?

After years of wars and battles, the two countries signed a **pact** to live in peace and cooperate.

The two giant tech companies signed a **pact** to share information in order to grow their business.

| The recycling <b>pact</b> between the group of companies is a huge boost for environmentalists.             |
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| After breaking a <b>pact</b> to stop testing weapons, the president of the country was severely criticised. |
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