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**PREFIX**

# OVER

## OVERACHIEVE

to do more than is expected or be more successful than others:

- He is a graduate of a prestigious university, who likes to overachieve.

## OVERCOME

1) to defeat or succeed in controlling or dealing with sth:

- He finally managed to overcome his fear of flying.
- In the final game Sweden easily overcame France.

2) overcome somebody

to affect somebody very strongly:

- Charles was overcome with grief.
- Overcome by curiosity, the boy looked through the window.

## OVERESTIMATE

1) to think something is better, more important etc than it really is.

- He tends to overestimate his own abilities.

2) to guess an amount or value that is too high.

- Most patients overestimated how long they had had to wait to see a doctor.

## OVERPLAY

to make something seem more important than it really is:

- I think she's overplaying the significance of his remarks.
- His role in the group's success has been overplayed.

## OVERRATE

to have too good an opinion of something:

- Be careful not to overrate your competitors.
- If you consider him a miracle man, you're overrating him.

## OVERTAKE

1) to go past sth by being a greater amount or degree:

- Our US sales have now overtaken our sales in Europe.

2) to come from behind another vehicle or a person and move in front of them:

- Always check your rear view mirror before you overtake

## OVERCHARGE

to charge someone too much money for something:

- I don't like restaurants that overcharge.
- She claims she was overcharged by €2,000.

## OVERDO

1) to do sth more than is suitable or natural:

- Use a few photographs, but don't overdo it.

2) to use too much of something :

- Don't overdo the salt in the food.

3) overdo it/things : to work, study, etc. too hard or for too long

- I overdid it in the gym and hurt my back.

## OVERPAY

1) to pay someone more money than they deserve:

- Bankers are grossly overpaid for what they do.

2) to pay too much money for something:

- Try to recover any tax you have overpaid.

## OVERRIDE

1) override something to use your authority to reject somebody's decision, order, etc.

- The chairman overrode the committee's objections and signed the agreement.

2) to be regarded as more important than something else.

- The needs of the mother should not override the needs of the child.

## OVERSTATE

to talk about something in a way that makes it seem more important, serious etc than it really is:

- To say that all motorists speed in residential areas is overstating the case.
- The impact of the new legislation has been greatly overstated.

## OVERVALUE

to put too high a value on something:

- The company is overvalued on the stock market.
- Analysts grossly overvalued the company's inventories.