**Chapter 1: The Villa**

p.3 buckle of noise (n) - (metaph.: different types of noises that cannot be identified
loggia (n) - open-sided part of a house (usually at the back)
 wedge (n) - V-shaped ray of light
 bower (n) - pleasant, shaded place under trees
 canopy (n) - decorative cover placed over a bed

p.4 calamine (n) - lotion to cool the skin and reduce pain

p.5 cradle (n) - frame used to support sth.
to thud - to make a dull sound (like feet hitting the ground)
drone (n) - noise made by the engine of a plane
bridle (n) - leather bands put on a horse’s head to control its movements

to anoint - to cover in oil
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p.7 scurry (n) - hasty movement with quick, short steps (mouse)
locust (n) - (*Heuschrecke*)
plaster (n) - (*Gips*)
mural (n) - painting on a wall

p.8 soaked (adj) - completely wet (with rain)
thistles (n) - thorny weeds (*Nesseln*)
sniffer (n) - small glass for brandy
cyclamen (n) - plant of the primrose family

p.9 bearing (n) - here: knowledge
palanquin (n) - vehicle like a box with a seat to carry people (*Sänfte*)
chime (n) - sound made by bells
burnoose (n) - loose garment worn by Arabs
snatch (n) - small part of sth. seen or heard
yoke (n) - (*Joch*)
gait (n) - way of walking

p.10 haze (n) - light mist
regal (adj) - royal
minute (adj) - tiny, very small
spices (n/pl) - (*Gewürze*)

p.11 peacock (n) - (*Pfau*)
to barter with / for - to exchange goods for others

p.12 mortar-shell (n) - (*Granate*)
to bow - to be bent (because of weight)
to seal - to fasten; to close with a wax seal (*versiegeln*)
to trigger - to start off
jagged (adj) - with sharp, uneven edges or points
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<td>charred (adj) - black by burning</td>
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<td>to forage - to wander about looking for food</td>
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<td>to scorch - to burn (skin); to dry up (plants)</td>
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<td>besotted (adj) - made foolish</td>
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<td>to dye - to colour (färbem)</td>
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<td>convection (n) - movement that makes warm air or liquid rise, and cold air or liquid sink (&gt; convector)</td>
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<td>adjacent (adj) - near-by</td>
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<td>cursed (water) (adj) - not drinkable</td>
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<td>strapped (adj) - fastened, fixed</td>
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Chapter 2: In Near Ruins

p.29  (a) clutch /cluster (of) (n) - a group of...
to recuperate - to recover (from an illness)
p.30 name tag (n) - piece of metal in a chain worn by soldiers (for identification
p.31 gelato (n) - Ital.: ice-cream
tonsils (n/pl) - (Mandeln)
p.32 genial (adj) - cheerful, good-tempered
adamant (adj) - firm (in purpose)
to rip out - to take out violently
p.33 trompe l’oeil (n) - Fr.: illusion
peak (n) - highest part
p.34 to peer - to look very carefully or hard
cocky (adj) - self-confident in an unpleasant way
to dismantle - to take to pieces
p.35 a Wurlitzer - record-playing machine (you press buttons to choose a particular record)
p.36 to drool - to let liquid drop from the mouth
frantic (adj) - wildly anxious or afraid
p.37 tuxedo (n) - dinner jacket (Smoking)
shutter (n) - part of the camera that opens or shuts the lens
ledger - account book (for recording)
to crunch - to make a crushing noise
p.38 to curl - to twist
p.39 beam (n) - ray (Strahl)
hose (n) - (Gartenschlauch)
to tinker with - to try to repair
p.40 donkey (n) - mule (Maulesel)
grove (n) - area with trees
bum-naked (adj) - with a naked behind
duomo - Ital.: cathedral
tile (n) - (Ziegelstein)
p.41 unimpeachable (adj) - that cannot be questioned
p.43 curfew (n) - an order that people should stay indoors at certain times (in wartime f.ex.)
topiary (n) - the art of cutting trees and bushes into decorative shapes
severed (adj) - cut off
to swab - to clean (with a little piece of cotton wool)
p.44 taut (adj) - showing signs of worry or anxiety
p.45 to salt away - to save, perhaps dishonestly, for the future
lime (n) - citrus fruit
p.46 shudder (n) - uncontrollable shaking
to excavate - to uncover by digging
p.49 hammock (n) - (Hängematte)
cordite (n) - smokeless explosive
frock (n) - long dress
gregarious (adj) - sociable, fond of company
havoc (n) - confusion
p.50 to sneak - to go secretly and quietly
to enfold - to embrace
outpost (n) - military camp in a distant lonely place
tannic acid (n) - (Gerbsäure)
gentian violet (n) - dye used as an antiseptic for the treatment of burns
See the given data.
Sikh (n) - member of an Indian religious group. Males do not cut their hair, grow beards and wear turbans.

p.68 tumbling (part.) - here: letting her fingers fall down onto the keys

p.69 apidistra (n) - house plant (with broad leaves)

sapper (n) - soldier whose job involves digging and building (but Kip’s job consists in defusing bombs)
Chapter 3: Sometime a fire

promontory (n) - high long narrow piece of land going out into the sea
to fling (flung, flung) - to throw quickly and violently
outcrop (n) - group of rocks
rut (n) - deep narrow track left by wheels
crossbow (n) - mediaeval weapon (Armbrust)
pulpit (n) - (Kanzel)

binoculars (n/pl) - field glasses (Fernglas)
spam (n) - here: inexpensive processed meat made from ham and sold in cans
crest (n) - top
to bundle up - here: to dress warmly
nave (n) - (Haupt-, Mittel-, oder Längsschiff)
tackle (n) - special equipment (used in some sports)
bemused (adj) - looking slightly confused
to hoist up - to lift up
halo (n) - (Heiligenschein)
to hover - here: to hang in the air
sundial (n) - (Sonnenuhr)
wand (n) - stick used by magicians
to veer - to turn or change direction
parapet (n) - low wall at the edge of a flat roof
bangle (n) - bracelet of solid gold or silver
to clink - to make a metallic ringing sound
taut (adj) - tight; showing signs of worry
fuze / fuse (n) - (in bombs: Zündung, Zündschnur)
valance (n) - narrow piece of cloth hanging down to the floor (Volant; Querbehang)
on a dime (exp) - suddenly
to twirl - to turn around and around
mace (n) - (Streitkolben; Keule)
faltering (part) - becoming weaker
metronome (n) - instrument showing the speed at which music should be played
to solder - (löten)
crystal set (n) - simple, old-fashioned radio
contraption (n) - strange looking piece of equipment (here: radio)
defunct (adj) - not existing any more
diviner (n) - here: special utensil to search for mines

vault (n) - here: ceiling that consists of several arches
cross hairs (n/pl) - related to a gun: (Fadenkreuz)
to douse - here: to cover in light
outrageous (adj) - very shocking and offensive
skirmish (n) - small fight
hushed (adj) - silenced

Isiah - Hebrew prophet who said that God would send a Messiah to save the Jews
shortwave (n) - kind of radio

pillbox (n) - small, usually circular concrete shelter with a gun inside it, built as a defence especially along a shore.
to charter - to mark
curfew (n) - the time when everybody must stay indoors (in wartime)
drapery (n) - cloth arranged in folds
sentry (n) - guard
mystical (adj) - of magic power
groan (n) - long, deep sound (of pain)
brocade (n) - decorative fabric
to sneeze - (niesen)
to stare at - to look hard at
tithe (n) - tax paid to the Church in former times
to whip around - here: to turn around suddenly
squeez-box (n) - accordion (musical instrument)
to nudge off - to fall off gently (as if pushed)
ledge (n) - narrow flat shelf
warren (n) - home of rabbits (Kaninchenloch)
tilted (adj) - inclined, sloping down
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jolt (n) - sudden rough movement (here: of the injection needle)
bowels (n/pl) - intestine (Darm)
prerequisite (n) - condition
to scrounge - to ask for sth. without paying for it
to loot - to steal
dizzy (adj) - unable to balance
bootslace (n) - (Schnürsenkel)
tab (n) - small glass tube (here: containing morphine)
bedpan (n) - (Bettpfanne)
fuze wire (n) - (Zünddraht)
the crack of dawn (exp) - the beginning of day
canasta (n) - card game
canteen (n) - small bottle (carried by soldiers)
lackadaisical (adj) - lazy, not showing interest
awestruk (adj/part) - extremely impressed
shrub (n/pl) - bushes (Sträucher)
choreography (n) - the way or pattern things are arranged
demolition team (n) - bomb-defusing squad
to be put out - to be annoyed
circuitous (adj) - with detours, not direct
sling (n) - (Schlinge)
to shrug - to move one's shoulders up and down (because one doesn't know or care)
bowl (n) - basin (Schüssel)
bluebottle (n) - large blue fly
to slam into - to hit violently
spout (n) - opening from which the water comes out
crimp (n) - here: pressure
thigh (n) - (Oberschenkel)
brindle (adj) - brown, with marks
cot (n) - camp bed
raucous - unpleasantly loud
starling (n) - bird (Star)
rafter (n) - beam of the roof (Dachsparren)
racket (n) - loud noise
chirping (n) - noise made by birds or insects
dove-cot (n) - (Taubenschlag)
woe (n) - great sadness
moraine (n) - mass of earth and rocks at the bottom of a glacier
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<td>here: the movement of the water before it bursts out</td>
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<td>to intoxicate</td>
<td>to make you feel happy, excited</td>
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<td>swirl</td>
<td>twisting, circular pattern</td>
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<td>weir (n)</td>
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<td>barnacled (adj)</td>
<td>restrained in freedom; conventional</td>
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<td>to splay</td>
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<td>stricken (part)</td>
<td>badly affected by (an illness)</td>
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<td>to minister</td>
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<td>to know</td>
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<td>bog (n)</td>
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<td>to ramble on</td>
<td>to talk in a very confused way</td>
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<td>to stumble upon</td>
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<td>to brace</td>
<td>here: to make stronger by supporting</td>
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<td>to chisel</td>
<td>here: to chip (mit einem Meißel entfernen)</td>
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<td>jumbled up (part)</td>
<td>mixed together</td>
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<td>to bunch up</td>
<td>to close together (in a group)</td>
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<td>to scrape</td>
<td>to remove from a surface (with a knife)</td>
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<td>to scheme</td>
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<td>to hug</td>
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<td>to acknowledge</td>
<td>to admit; to accept</td>
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<td>to coax</td>
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<td>to become red in the face (from embarrassment)</td>
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<td>not clear; covered up</td>
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<td>stymied (part)</td>
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<td>variation from what is customary</td>
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<td>rogue (n)</td>
<td>person causing trouble and behaving badly, but who you like nevertheless</td>
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<td>bracket (n)</td>
<td>here: fixation</td>
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<td>mentor (n)</td>
<td>experienced person who advises and helps</td>
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<td>to percolate</td>
<td>to pass slowly (liquid)</td>
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<td>tarpaulin (n)</td>
<td>(geölte Plane)</td>
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<td>to dart around</td>
<td>to move suddenly and quickly</td>
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<td>lanyard (n)</td>
<td>short piece of rope</td>
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<td>pollarded (adj/part)</td>
<td>with the top cut or blown off</td>
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<td>to alter</td>
<td>to change</td>
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<td>to rifle through</td>
<td>here: to search quickly through</td>
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<td>to nip</td>
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<td>mote (n)</td>
<td>very small grain of dust</td>
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<td>swaddled (part)</td>
<td>wrapped up for protection</td>
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<td>mythical (adj)</td>
<td>here: non-existent</td>
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<td>to shed</td>
<td>to drop; to (make) fall off</td>
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<td>phlox (n)</td>
<td><em>AmE</em>: low spreading plant with pink and white flowers</td>
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<td>refuse (n)</td>
<td>waste material; rubbish</td>
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<td>kind of sour cherry</td>
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<td>paisley dress (n)</td>
<td>dress decorated with a pattern of shapes</td>
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<td>to crave</td>
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<td>to mortar up</td>
<td>to build by using mortar (Mörtel)</td>
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<td>to feel beholden</td>
<td>to feel that you have a duty to s.o.</td>
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<td>to forsake s.o.</td>
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### Chapter 4: South Cairo 1930-1938

**p. 141** pocket (n) - here: area, region
to cling - to hold on to

**p. 142** pertinent (adj) - relevant
eulogy (n) - high praise
Artesian well (n) - well *(Quelle)* in which the water is forced to the
surface by natural pressure

dotted (adj) - with trees
into vista - into far-off regions

**p. 144** squire (n) - *(Knappe)*
escarpment (n) - long cliff on a mountain-side
to nestle - here: to lie in a protected position

**p. 145** Tropic of Cancer - geographical line *(23.5° N)*
groove (n) - narrow track
corrugated (adj) - formed in wavelike folds
preserve (n) - stretch of land reserved for special purposes

**p. 146** orifice (n) - (small) hole (usually in the body)
spurt (n) - sudden, short pouring out (of liquid)
stationary (adj) - not moving
gale (n) - heavy storm
moorings (n/pl) - ropes and chains to fasten sth
to stumble on - here: to find by chance
souk (n) - market in a Muslim country

to chime - to ring
calico (n) - heavy cotton cloth
almond (n) - *(Mandel)*
amber (n) - resinous substance
sheaf (n) - heap

**p. 148** to quilt - here: to swallow up
derby (adj) - piece of red-hot coal
shingled (adj/part) - covered with small round stones
knoll (n) - small hill
gamble (n) - risk
splinter (rocks) - very sharp rocks

**p. 149** jar (n) - round container made of clay
creed (n) - faith *(Glaube)*

**p. 150** muslin (n) - very fine cotton cloth
graven (adj/part) - carved in wood or stone

**p. 151** to abide - to stay

**p. 152** stark (adj) - without decorative addition
latitude / longitude (n) - *(Breitengrad / Längengrad)*

**p. 153** willow(-tree) (n) - *(Weide)*
to prod - to poke at with a stick

**p. 154** to unearth - to find out
minute (n) - official note in a report
to be hectored - to be spoken to in a noisy, threatening way

**p. 155** petite (adj) - small and neat
**Chapter 5: Katherine**

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<td>to bend back forcefully</td>
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<td>to swerve</td>
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<td>propinquity (n)</td>
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<td>to be stalled</td>
<td>to be forced to stop</td>
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<td>here: power to take control</td>
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<td>to move suddenly</td>
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<td>mark from a beating</td>
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<td>accident prone (adj)</td>
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<td>to sneer</td>
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<td>to nudge</td>
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<td>minaret (n)</td>
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<td>to follow (a person or animal) quietly in order to catch or kill</td>
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<td>manic (adj)</td>
<td>excited, wild</td>
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<td>to hug</td>
<td>to embrace</td>
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<td>pitch (n)</td>
<td>here: small speck of light</td>
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<td>wince (n)</td>
<td>change of expression on the face due to sudden pain</td>
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<td>circle of light</td>
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<td>to punch</td>
<td>here: to press</td>
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Chapter 6: A Buried Plane

p.171 to glare - to look hard; to look in an angry way
effigy (n) - figure or picture of a person
hawk (n) - (Adler)
seed (n) - (Samen)
pitch (n) - high sound
leash (n) - (Leine)
tether - to fasten
felucca (n) - type of fast sailing ship
trellis (n) - light framework of wood for climbing plants

p.172 (hollow) indentation (n) - (hohle Einkerbung)
glare (n) - bright light
cane hamper (n) - big basket (for laundry) made of twigs
to track - to follow; to try and find
to be crawling with - to be crowded with
spotted (part) - discovered
to pick up - here: to find and arrest
to sniff out - to find by smell (like dogs)
quaint (adj) - odd; unusual
lap (n) - (Schoß)
cache (n) - hiding place
to capsize - to turn over
shallow (adj) - not deep
boulder (n) - rock
plumed headdress (n) - (Federkopfschmuck)
hedgehog (n) - (Igel)
sternness (n) - firm behaviour
tactile (adj) - which can be touched and felt
menstrual blood (n) - blood from a woman’s period
dusk (n) - darker part of twilight
cobweb (n) - a spider’s net
brittle (adj) - very fragile
to jostle - to push and turn
starfish (n) - (Seestern)
gully (n) - small narrow valley; deep ditch
to trickle down - (durchsickern)
to bang - to knock
government aide (n) - official
endearments (n/pl) - signs of fondness
shrubs (n/pl) - low bushes
wake (n) - (Sog)

ridge (n) - top (of a mountain)
to uncoil - here: to move away in rings
shattered (part) - broken
talcum (n) - fine powder (to dry skin)
iconoclast (n) - person who attacks established beliefs or customs
armour (n) - (Rüstung)
troglodyte (adj) - prehistoric
naphta (n) - inflammable chemical
shroud (n) - (Leichentuch)
to unfurl - to unwind
short (circuit) (n) - (Kurzschluss)
to shift - to move
bucket (n) - (Eimer)
canvas sheeting (n) - (Flügelverkleidung)
harness (n) (of a parachute) - (Gurtzeug)
to raise - to educate
the Holy Trinity - (die Heilige Dreifaltigkeit)
had unwound the last knot of life - had died
crimson (adj) - (karminrot)
p.193 to sway - to move from one side to the other; to wave
to radicalise - here: to emphasize; to make it more complete
lanyard (n) - cord worn by soldiers (for a whistle or a knife)
to scuff - to walk without properly lifting the feet
satchel (n) - bag
to unfurl - to open
p.194 NAAFI - Navy, Army Airforce Institutes
dump (n) - place for waste material
chisel (n) - (Meißel)
p.195 maze (n) - labyrinth
picrid (acid) (adj) - used in dyeing, explosives and antiseptics
to ignite - to set on fire
pellet (n) - small ball
dormant (adj) - here: waiting to explode; not exploding yet
casing (n) - outer metal protective shell
blitz (n) - violent bombing air-raid on British cities during W.W.II
prowess (n) - bravery; great courage
p.196 mudguard (n) - (Schutblech; Kotflügel)
to peg - here: to fasten
robin (n) - kind of bird (Rotkehlchen)
p.197 to putter aroung > to potter - to move from one little job to another
briefed (part) - informed
fallow deer (n) - (Damwild)
reprehensible (adj) - what cannot be accepted
retreat (n) - refuge
to mull - to make wine with sugar and spices
p.198 badger (n) - (Dachs)
cooking spit (n) - thin pointed metal stick for putting meat on
guncotton (n) - kind of explosive (Schießbaumwolle)
p.199 in the slipstream (exp) - (im Windschatten)
to peer around - to look closely
p.200 sternly - severely, enforcing obedience
hearty (adj) - here: sincere
to reupholster (a sofa) - to provide it with new covering material
spanner (n) - (Schraubenschlüssel)
pulley (n) - (Flaschenguß)
condenser (n) - machine which stores electricity in a car
p.201 surfeit (n) - too large an amount of
to bustle in - to come in excitedly, in a hurry
quite a strain (exp) - here: quite difficult
to wink - to close an eye to signal sth
to pool - to bring together
p.202 the prodigal (son) - (der verlorene Sohn)
aviatrix (n) - female aviator
p.203 vicinity (n) - neighbourhood
p.204 gravelly (adj) - deep and rough
by rote - by heart; by memory
whim (n) - sudden idea or desire
triggered (adj/part) - set to go off

tangled (adj) fringe of wires - confused maze of wires
mug (n) - kind of big cup
Horlicks - relaxing drink made of powder and milk/water
brass (n) - (Messing)

clockwork (n) - (Uhrwerk)
tilt - to hold at an angle
to foil - to prevent from carrying out (a plan)
gaine (n) - kind of electric circuit, possibly lodged in a tube
makeshift (adj) - here: quickly built

to assign (a job) - to give as a task to do
to disband - to break up
to acquiesce - to agree, to say ‘yes’
to disband - to break up
to drone - to make a low humming sound
to throb - to make a vibrating sound (like an engine)
booby trap - apparently harmless object that might kill you
in situ (exp) - (Latin) on that spot, in that place
flat-out (adj) - with all one’s strength and resources

off-hand (adj) - casual
to emulsify - to turn into a creamy mixture
to scribble - to write quickly (kritzeln)
to shuffle - to move without lifting the feet
tongs (n/pl) - (Zange)

slate (n) - (Schiefertafel)
firebrand (n) - person who regularly causes anger and unrest
to gear up to - to prepare oneself to
cot (n) - small bed with high sides
devious (adj) - dishonest and deceiving
to breeze through - to walk in a calm and confident way
swathed (part) - wrapped
swift (n) - bird (Turnsegler)
tunic (n) - short coat worn by soldiers
to clamber down - to climb slowly, using hands and feet
to douse with - to cover sth in liquid
to dab - to touch lightly and several times
vortex (n) - difficult situation with powerful effects on one’s life
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p.219 to sprain - (verrenken, verstauchen)
scarecrow (n) - (Vogelscheuche)
ladybird (n) - (Marienkäfer)
trek (n) - long, difficult journey (on foot)

p.220 gleeful (adj) - joyful
yell (n) - shout
sarong (n) - long, loose dress/skirt worn by Malayan women

p.221 helping (n) - amount of food
at random - unintentionally; by chance
rambunctious (adj) - uncontrollable

p.222 harness (n) - gear; equipment
to drape - to wrap folds of cloth around
to brace - to push part of your body against sth to prevent it from moving
strut (n) - long piece of metal/wood to support sth
ostrich (n) - (Sträuss)
clay (n) - mud (Lehm)

p.223 semaphore (n) - here: short message
to unstop - here: to open
to haul out - here: to lift out with a pulley or winch

p.224 shaft (n) - (Minenschacht)
giddy (adj) - dizzy, slightly sick
hangover (n) - sickness and headache after being drunk
rip (n) - cut

p.226 collet (n) - kind of tool (Zwinge; Klemmring)
to snap off - to break off
jammed (adj) - impossible to move
to chip off / to shear off / to shave off - to remove small pieces (of metal)

p.227 to flash - to ignite
to quiver - to shake, to tremble
tendril (n) - (Ranke)
pliers (n/pl) - (Zange)
winch (n) - (Kran; Kurbel)
bog (n) - marsh (Sumpf)
swivel (n) - object fixed at the top and turning around
to unbuckle - to unfasten

p.230 feud (n) - angry and violent quarrel
linnet (n) - bird (Hänfling)

p.231 crutch (n) - (Krücke)
ailment (n) - small illness which is not serious
swath (n) - cut
clavicle (n) - (Schlüsselbein)
smugness (n) - exaggerated satisfaction with oneself
callousness (n) - lack of sympathy for other people’s pain
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<td>to tuck under</td>
<td>to put under</td>
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<td>demure (adj)</td>
<td>quiet, trying not to draw attention</td>
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<td>he has a bad wheeze</td>
<td>he breathes with difficulty</td>
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<td>to streak</td>
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<td>spiked up (part)</td>
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<td>in a swirl</td>
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<td>to dead-weight</td>
<td>to fall heavily, as if unconscious</td>
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<td>ayah (n)</td>
<td>nurse and servant in an Indian household</td>
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<td>hunched-over (adj)</td>
<td>badly bent-over</td>
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<td>sari (n)</td>
<td>traditional dress worn by Indian women</td>
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ardent (adj) - showing strong positive feelings

to squat - to sit with one’s legs bent (sich hocken)

reconnaissance (n) - (military) exploration of territory

muted (adj) - here: silent

villain (n) - bad character

to span - to bridge (a period of time)

commitment (n) - here: loyalty

ravenous (adj) - extremely hungry

shard (n) - (Tonscherbe)

to skim past - to read/move along quickly

to deem - to consider

to contrive - to try and find out

wary (adj) - careful

to entreat - to ask s.o. fervently (to do you a favour)
to jar - to feel slightly hurt or uncomfortable
to conceive - to think of (as a new idea)

garment - piece of clothing

to slay - to kill

cog (n) - (Zahnrad)

mesa (n) - hill with a flat top; plateau

succinct (adj) - expressed clearly in a few words

monograph (n) - detailed written study of a single subject

fake (n) - object which is not genuine (etwas Unechtes)
to ravish - here: to violate

convolution (n) - here: very complicated affair

paranoia (n) - mental illness (The person is always suspicious and/or afraid that people intend to harm him.)

estuary (n) - wide part of a river where it flows into the sea

silt (n) - sand and mud carried along by flowing water

pewter thimble (n) - (Fingerhut aus Zinn)
saffron (n) - (Safran)

pariah (n) - outsider

congregation (n) - people gathering in a church to pray

traversal (n) - crossing

to breach (a promise) - not to keep

to stride (strode; no p.part.) - to walk with long steps

accuracy (n) - love of detail

to putt - to make a repeated low sound (of an engine)
to slash - to make a long cut; here: to destroy violently

jingoistic (adj) - believing that your country is the best

blithely (adv) - cheerfully; without worrying about possible consequences

pew (n) - bench in a church

debate (n) - discussion; argument

gait (n) - the way you walk

sliver (n) (of emotion) - here: notion, touch

knot (n) - (Knoten)

raft (n) - here: large amount of

kidney-shaped (adj) - (nierenförmig)
grizzled (adj) - with grey hair

ard (adj) - here: unproductive

greyhound (n) - (Windhund)
to smother (with drink) - to drown a feeling (in drink)
to beckon - to signal
to slam - to run fast against
sequin (n) - small shiny round piece of decoration often sewn into clothes (Metallscheibe)
to ensue - to follow
tributary (n) - here: earring (in the form of a long piece of silver)
jagged (adj) - here: pointed
fulcrum (n) - point of balance
to skid - (suddenly) slide sideways
yelp (n) - sharp high cry (made by dogs)
limbo - here: uncertain area
news clipping (n) - cut-out piece of news
dweller (n) - inhabitant
haze (n) - light mist
mirage (n) - blurred vision (fata morgana)
ragged (adj) - wearing torn clothes; tired
to flutter - here: to move quickly
coot (n) - old (unpleasant) man
to unthread - here: to extract
blunt (adj) - (abgestumpft)
singlet (n) - shirt without sleeves
errant (adj) - here: going into different directions
apocryphal (adj) - well-known, but probably not true
to translate - to change
vermilion (adj) - red colour (zinnoberrot)
pubis (n) - female sexual organ (Schambein)
hoop (n) - ring (of colour)
bounce (n) - here: echo
to slosh - to move around in a container (liquid)
colocynth (n) - Mediterranean vine related to melons
outsskirts (n/pl) - parts furthest away from the centre
stray (adj) - without a home; lost
to go berserk - to become angry and violent
wicker (n) cage - (Flechtwerk(käfig))
to flail - to move your arms and legs in an uncontrolled way
detritus (n) - waste material
to engineer - here: to organize
to hoist (the drawbridge) - (die Zugbrücke heben)
to run s.o. to earth - to find
muted (adj) (light) - not bright
to blurt out - to say suddenly and without thinking
rhomboid (n) - (Raute)
loch (n) - (Scottish) lake
crook (n) - criminal (Hochstapler)
to be haywire - to work in a completely wrong way
to tip / to tilt - here: to move the nose of the plane downward
to veer - to turn
to cushion - here: to soften
ensnared (part) - caught
strewn (part) - thrown (in a disorderly way)
heron (n) - waterbird (Reiher)
p.275  sheen (n)  - shiny appearance
p.276  snarl (n)  - low angry and aggressive sound made by animals (dog)
p.277  cluster (n)  - group
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p.281 turnip (n) - (Rübe)
sprawled out (part) - stretched out with legs and arms in a lazy way
to plot - to intrigue, to make secret plans
grate (n) - (Gitter)
p.282 stubbles (n/pl) - short stiff hair of a beard
meticulous (adj) - very careful about details
p.283 snail shell (n) - (Schneckenhaus)
startling (adj) - surprising
forager (n) - provider (of things)
p.284 paraffin (n) - oil, fuel
flawed (part) - having a mistake or a weakness
credentials (n/pl) - proofs of a person’s good character
   (Empfehlungsschreiben)
dowry (n) - (Mitgift)
p.285 impromptu (adj) - not planned
to alter - to change
p.287 torpor (n) - state of inactivity (laziness/sleep)
to desecrate - to damage sth holy
p.288 haven (n) - place of safety (Zufluchtsort)
flux (n) - change
to beseech - to ask for sth eagerly (inständig bitten)
p.289 to whack - to hit hard
Amritsar: a city in the Punjab in NW India; a holy place for members of the Sikh religion who visit the golden temple. In 1919 British soldiers stopped a peaceful political meeting by shooting at the crowd. In the Amritsar massacre 379 were killed.
Pliny - Roman historian providing a detailed picture of life in Roman times (61-113 A.D.)
p.292 to choreograph - to organize carefully
to detonate - to explode
(road) junction (n) - crossing
to galvanize - to treat chemically (with zinc) to lead electricity
p.293 gelignite (n) - powerful explosive
strung (part) - suspended; hanging
to retaliate - to hit back; to take one’s revenge
scuttled (ships) (adj/part) - sunk
rigged (adj) - manipulated
p.294 power (n) - electricity
spire (n) / steeple (n) - pointed top of a high tower
to curl - here: to turn, to bend
p.295 cape (n) - loose piece of clothing without sleeves
haversack (n) - bag carried on one’s shoulders
to weave - here: to wind
p.296 scourged (part) - suffering (from being whipped)
qualms (n/pl) - slight worry
sealed (part) - (versiegelt)
sewer (n) - (Kloake; Abflussrohr)
p.297 rosary (n) - (Rosenkranz)
ethereal (adj) - very delicate and light
p.298 to peek - to look quickly
dough (n) - (Teig) here: soft filling
p.300 to clasp - to hold tightly
p.301 puckah - of high moral quality
p.302 to wither - to become drier and smaller
tremor (n) - shaking movement
nostrils (n/pl) - here: nose
shortwave (n) - radio
nighthawk (n) - night owl
archipelago (n) - group of small islands and the area around them
to strip - to empty, to remove
to scour - to form a hole by continuous movement
apse (n) - curved end of a chapel
to nuzzle - to rub gently against
sprockets and cogs (n/pl) - (Zahnräder)
parapet (n) - (Balkongeländer)
to gun into life / to rev to life - here: to start the engine
to buck - to move forward unsmoothly, starting and stopping
cattle grid (n) - (Viehschutzgitter)
to tack - here: to add; to set up against
spine (n) - (Rückgrat)
spool (n) - (Filmspule)
to hurl - here: to roar (of an engine)
to reel - to go round and round
starch (n) - (Stärke(mittel))
spire (n) - (Zapfhahn)
goggles (n/pl) - protective glasses for one’s eyes
scaffold (n) - (Bau)gerüst
to coast down - to drive down without using the engine
shattered (adj) - destroyed
cuddles (n/pl) - hugs; signs of love with your arms around the partner
barge (n) - large low boat
creek (n) - (AmE.) small river
gravel (n) - very small stones (Kies)
to whine - to make a continuous high sound (engine)
to howl - to make a long loud sound (engine)
rubber lining (n) - (Gummidichtung)
to wax old - here: to grow old
moth (n) - (Motte)
tin (n) - kind of metal (Blech)
to jar - to hit
to toss - to throw up
eel (n) - (Aal)
kin (n) - family
to gasp - to breathe hard and suddenly
gorge (n) - deep gap; valley
discernible (adj) - recognizable; easy to make out
telephone depot (n) - place where you can phone
to nurture - to take care of
ardently (adv) - with determination
lithe (adj) - grateful
prone (adj) - bent forward
cutlery (n) - knives and forks
stroll (n) - leisurely walk
wrinkle (n) - line on one’s face or skin