

## Unit 12 — English for Golf

### Approach

A shot played towards the green from a distance.

"Her approach shot landed the ball near the hole."

### Birdie

A score of one stroke under par on a hole.

"He celebrated after scoring a birdie."

### Bogey

A score of one stroke over par on a hole.

"After a bad shot, he settled for a bogey."

### Bunker

A sand-filled hazard on a golf course.

"His ball landed in a bunker, complicating his next shot."

### Caddie

A person who carries the golfer's clubs and offers advice.

"Her caddie helped her select the right club for each shot."

### Chip

A short shot intended to lift the ball onto the green.

"A delicate chip can win you the hole."

### Clubhouse

The building at a golf course where players gather before and after a round.

"The clubhouse is a great place to relax and socialize after a game."

### Driver

The club used for long-distance shots from the tee.

"He used his driver to launch the ball down the fairway."

### Eagle

A score of two strokes under par on a hole.

"Scoring an eagle is a remarkable achievement."

**Fairway**

The closely mowed area between the tee and the green.

"He hit the ball onto the fairway for a good position."

**Green**

The area of short, closely trimmed grass surrounding the hole.

"She carefully putted the ball on the green."

**Handicap**

A numerical measure of a golfer's potential ability that levels the playing field.

"A lower handicap indicates a better player."

**Hook**

A shot that curves sharply to the left (for right-handed golfers).

"A hook can sometimes position the ball advantageously."

**Iron**

A club used for mid-range shots, usually numbered.

"A 7-iron was perfect for his approach."

**Par**

The number of strokes a skilled golfer is expected to take to complete a hole.

"Finishing a hole in par is considered the norm."

**Putter**

The club used primarily on the green for precise strokes.

"His smooth putter stroke saved him a few strokes."

**Rough**

The area outside the fairway with longer, thicker grass.

"Stray shots often end up in the rough."

**Slice**

A shot that curves sharply to the right (for right-handed golfers).

"A poor slice sent his ball into the rough."

**Swing**

The act of hitting the ball with a golf club in a smooth motion.

"A good swing is essential for accuracy."

**Tee**

A small stand used to hold the golf ball at the start of a hole.

"Place your ball on the tee before your drive."