English for Construction



Unit 3 Heavy equipment Controls and equipment

Word		Definition	Translation
pedal (n)		a part on a machine that you press with your foot to control it	
power switch (n)		a piece of equipment that starts or stops the flow of electricity to a machine or light	
motor (n)		the part of a machine that makes it work or move	
turn (v)		to move something so that it is pointing or aiming in a different direction	
clockwise (adv)		moving in the same direction in which the hands of a clock move	
anticlockwise (adv)		moving in the opposite direction in which the hands of a clock move	
start button (n)		a switch on a machine that you press to make it start working	
green (adj)		a colour, usually meaning to start or go	
switch off (phr v)		to press or move a switch on a machine to make it stop working	
mix (v)		to combine two or more substances	
pour (v)		to make a liquid or other substance flow out of or into a container by holding it at an angle	
quantity (n)		an amount of something that can be counted or measured	
hand mixer (n)		a piece of equipment used to mix things together that is held with hands	
portable mixer (n)		a piece of equipment used to mix things together that can be moved around	
drum (n)		a large round container for storing or mixing something in, e.g. concrete	
chute (n)		a long narrow structure that slopes down, so that things can be poured down it	

pump (n)		a machine for forcing liquid into or out of something	
hopper (n)		a large funnel-shaped container that materials are stored in	

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