









Unit 3 Heavy equipment

Cranes

Word			Definition	Translation
crane (n)			a large machine used for lifting heavy things	
tower crane (n)			a crane that is mounted on top of a tower and used on building sites	
operator (n)			someone who operates a machine or piece of equipment	
mobile crane (n)			a crane that is mounted on a vehicle	
ground (n)			the surface of the earth	
extend (v)			to make something longer	
retract (v)			to make something shorter	
jib (n)			the long arm of a crane	
cable (n)			a thick strong metal rope	
cab (n)			the part of a bus, train, truck, etc. where the driver sits	
winch (n)			a device with a rope or chain that rotates around a drum for lifting heavy objects	
block (n)			a large metal part on a crane that holds the hook	
counterweight (n)			a weight that is used to balance the load being lifted	
load (n)			a large quantity of something that is being lifted	
mast (n)			a tall metal tower that gives the crane height	
controls (n pl)			the things that you press or turn to make a machine work	
wind (v)			to make something move by turning	

remote control (n)			a thing you use for controlling a piece of equipment from a distance, without having to touch it	
key switch (n)			a switch that can be activated only by a key	
joystick (n)			an upright handle that you use to control something	
toggle switch (n)			a small part on a remote control that is moved to change how the controls work	