commonplace

1. ['kpmənpleıs] n

1. 1) избитое выражение; банальность

it's a mere commonplace - это общее место commonplaces about weather - пустой разговор о погоде

2) распространённая цитата известный афоризм

2. обыкновенное происшествие; обычная вещь

the atmosphere of commonplace - будничная атмосфера

today television is a commonplace - телевидение ныне вошло в быт

2. ['kpmənpleıs] a

1. банальный, избитый, плоский

commonplace remark - банальность, банальное замечание

the plots of television movies are often commonplace - в телефильмахчасто используются избитые темы

2. 1) серый, неинтересный (о человеке); безликий

a commonplace person - серая /невыразительная личность

2) обыкновенный, рядовой

commonplace men - простые люди

3. ['kpmənpleıs] v редк.

1. записывать в тетрадь для заметок

2. повторять избитые выражения, истины

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com·mon·place [commonplace commonplaces] adjective, noun BrE ['kpmənpleɪs] *NAmE* ['ka□mənple□]s

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adjective

done very often, or existing in many places, and therefore not unusual

Computers are now commonplace in primary classrooms.

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent. (originally common place): translation of Latin locus communis, rendering Greek koinos topos 'general theme'.

Example Bank:

- Such actions were regarded as commonplace during the war.
- These ideas are commonplace among teenagers.
- Double agents are quite commonplace in the world of espionage.
- It is commonplace for soldiers to get very little sleep.
- She made things that are now quite commonplace but at the time seemed really exotic.
- Violent incidents of this kind have become commonplace.

noun (formal)

1. usually singular an event, etc. that happens very often and is not unusual

- 2. a remark, etc. that is not new or interesting
 - The speech was full of commonplaces.

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I. common place ¹ /'kpmənpleIs \$ 'ka - BrE AmE adjective happening or existing in many places, and therefore not special or unusual:

Car thefts are commonplace in this part of town.

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• common if something is common, there are a lot of them: Jones is a very common name in Great Britain. | Foxes are common in the area. | Personal computers are nearly as common in American homes as televisions.

widespread happening in a lot of places or done by a lot of people: Racism is much more widespread than people imagine. |
The report claimed that the problem of police brutality was widespread. | the widespread availability of antibiotics

• commonplace [not before noun] especially written common in a particular place or time – used especially when saying that this seems surprising or unusual: Crimes such as robbery are commonplace in big cities. | Expensive foreign cars are commonplace in this Chicago suburb.

• prevalent formal common in a place or among a group of people – used especially about illnesses, problems, or ideas: Flu is most prevalent during the winter months. | Depression remains one of the most prevalent health disorders in the US. | This belief is more prevalent among men than women.

• rife /raif/ [not before noun] very common - used about illnesses or problems: AIDS is rife in some parts of the world.

• ubiquitous /ju b kwətəjs, b kw tasmal very common and seen in many different places – often used humorously in written descriptions: He was carrying the ubiquitous MP3 player. | In Britain, CCTV cameras are ubiquitous.

• something is everywhere especially spoken used when saying that you can see something a lot in many different places: Images of the dictator were everywhere. | Microchips seem to be everywhere these days – even in washing machines. | One of the first things you notice in Amsterdam are the bicycles – they're everywhere. **II. commonplace** ² *BrE* ^{*} *AmE* ^{*} *noun* [countable usually singular]

- 1. something that happens or exists in many places, so that it is not unusual: Women's groups have become a commonplace.
- 2. something that has been said so often that it is no longer interesting or original
- 3. the commonplace something that is ordinary or boring SYN the everyday

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