SAT Vocabulary
11th-12th Grade List

Unit 1
1. ABORTIVE (ADJ) failing to accomplish an intended aim or purpose; only partially or imperfectly developed
2. ABSURD (ADJ) contrary to reason; obviously inconsistent with truth or common sense
3. BEDLAM (N) a state or scene of uproar and confusion
4. BELIE* (V) contradict; give a false impression
5. CACOPHONY (N) harsh-sounding, discordant
6. CALLOUS (ADJ) emotionally hardened, unfeeling
7. DEBILITATE* (V) to make weak or feeble
8. DEBUTANTE (N) young woman who has just made her formal entrance into society
9. EDIFICE (N) a building; a structure; a large or massive building (church, palace)
10. ECLECTIC* (ADJ) selective in choosing from a variety of sources
11. FABRICATE (V) to make, manufacture; to make up, invent
12. GAMUT (N) an entire range or series
13. HAMPER* (V) obstruct
14. ICONOCLAST (N) one who attacks or seeks to overthrow popular or traditional belief, ideas, or institutions; an opponent of religious use of images
15. IGNOMINIOUS (ADJ) marked with or full of disgrace; quality or conduct deserving disgrace; shameful; disgraceful
16. JEOPARDIZE (V) to expose to loss or injury; to risk
17. Labyrinth (N) a bewildering maze; any confusing or complicated situation
18. MAGNANIMOUS (ADJ) generous in forgiving, above small meanesses
19. NADIR (N) the lowest point; time of greatest depression
20. OBLITERATE (V) to erase or blot out; to render imperceptible
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**Unit 2**

1. **ABSTRUSE*** (ADJ) obscure; profound; difficult to understand
2. **BELLIGERENT** (ADJ) given to fighting, warlike; (N) one at war, one engaged in war
3. **CANDOR** (N) outspokenness; frankness
4. **DECORUM** (N) proper behavior, good taste; orderliness
5. **EFFRONTERY** (N) shameless boldness, impudence
6. **FACET** (N) a phase or aspect, as of a topic; one of the small plane surfaces of a diamond
7. **GAUDY** (ADJ) ostentatiously fine; showy; now esp. tastelessly fine
8. **HARASS** (V) to disturb, worry; to trouble by repeated attacks
9. **IMMINENT** (ADJ) about to happen, threatening
10. **JURISDICTION** (N) the legal right to hear and determine a cause; area of authority
11. **KINDLE*** (V) start a fire; inspire
12. **LACONIC** (ADJ) concise, using few words
13. **MALEVOLENT** (ADJ) spiteful, showing ill will
14. **NEBULOUS** (ADJ) vague, confused, indistinct
15. **PALTRY** (ADJ) trifling, insignificant; mean, despicable
16. **RATIFY*** (V) approve formally; verify
17. **SAGACIOUS*** (ADJ) keen; shrewd; having insight
18. **TACIT** (ADJ) unspoken, silent; implied, inferred
19. **ULTIMATE** (ADJ) most remote in space or time; extreme; last in consequence
20. **VACILLATE** (V) to swing indecisively from one idea or course of action to another;
1. ACCOLADE* (N) award of merit
2. ACCOMMODATE (V) to render fit or correspondent; to adapt to circumstances; to make adjustment; to make room for
3. BEQUEATH* (V) leave to someone by a will; hand down
4. CAPRICIOUS (ADJ) subject to whims or passing fancies; spur of the moment
5. DEERENCE* (N) courteous regard for another’s wish
6. Egregious (ADJ) conspicuous, standing out from the mass (used particularly in an unfavorable sense); remarkably bad
7. FALLACIOUS (ADJ) embodying a falsehood; misleading as in wrong thinking/reasoning
8. GENRE (N) a kind, sort, or species; esp. to works of literature or art
9. HAVOC (N) wide and general destruction; devastation
10. IMMUTABLE* (ADJ) unchangeable
11. IMPASSIVE* (ADJ) without feeling; not affected by pain
12. LANGUISH* (V) lose animation; lose strength
13. MANDATE (N) an authoritative command, formal order; (V) to issue such an order
14. NEPOTISM (N) undue favoritism to or excessive patronage of one’s relatives or close personal friends
15. OBSEQUIOUS (ADJ) marked by slavish attentiveness; excessively submissive, often for purely self-interested reasons
16. PARADOX (N) a seemingly contradictory statement
17. RATIONALIZE (V) to give a reasonable explanation; to explain or justify on reasonable grounds
18. SAGE (ADJ) wisdom gained through experience (N) one who is considered wise
19. TANTAMOUNT (ADJ) equivalent, having the same meaning, value, or effect; equal to
20. VEHEMENTLY (ADV) intensely, forcefully, powerfully
Unit 4

1. ACCOST (V) to approach and speak to first
2. ACRIMONIOUS (ADJ) stinging, bitter in temper or tone
3. BIGOT (N) one obstinately or intolerantly devoted to his own belief or opinion
4. CENSURE* (V) blame; criticize
5. CESSATION (N) a stopping, ceasing
6. DELETERIOUS (ADJ) harmful, injurious
7. ELABORATION* (N) addition of details; intricacy
8. FASTIDIOUS (ADJ) overly demanding or hard to please; excessively careful in regard to details
9. GLUTTON* (N) someone who eats too much
10. HEDONISM* (N) belief that pleasure is the sole aim in life
11. IMPEDE (V) to stop in progress; obstruct; hinder
12. IMPETUOUS (ADJ) rushing with force and violence; hasty; impulsive
13. LEGACY* (N) gift made by a will
14. MARRED* (ADJ) damaged; disfigured
15. OBSTINATE* (ADJ) stubborn
16. PARIAH (N) an outcast; one who is rejected by a social group or organization
17. SALUBRIous (ADJ) healthy; conducive to well-being; beneficial; healthful
18. TEMPER* (V) to moderate; tone down or restrain
19. UNKEMPT (ADJ) not combed; untidy; not well kept
20. VERBOSE* (ADJ) wordy
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Unit 5

1. ADHERENT (ADJ) sticking; clinging; attached or joined, though normally separate (N) follower, supporter
2. ADROIT (ADJ) skillful, expert in the use of the hands or mind
3. BLATANT (ADJ) brawling; clamorous; noisy; offensively obtrusive; coarse
4. CHARISMA (N) special personal magnetism that makes an individual exceptionally appealing to other people; charm
5. CLIQUE (N) a small, exclusive group of people
6. DEMEANOR (N) the way a person behaves, overall impression made by comportment
7. DENOUNCE* (V) to condemn; criticize
8. ELOQUENCE* (N) expressiveness; persuasive speech
9. ELUCIDATE (V) to clarify, explain
10. FILIAL (ADJ) of or relating to a son or daughter
11. GREGARIOUS (ADJ) living together in a herd or group; sociable, seeking the company of others; sociable
12. IMPLICATION* (N) that which is hinted at or suggested; hint; suggestion
13. IMPUNITY (N) without punishment; freedom from punishment, harm or loss
14. MATERIALISM (N) the tendency to give undue importance to material interests
15. OBVIATE (V) to meet or anticipate and dispose of; make unnecessary
16. PARSIMONIOUS (ADJ) stingy, miserly
17. PARODY* (N) humorous imitation; travesty
18. PATHETIC (ADJ) affecting or exciting emotion esp. pity or sorrow; pitiful
19. RAZE (V) to lay level with the ground; demolish, to overthrow, destroy
20. SANCTION (N) solemn ratification; that which induces observance of law or custom a coercive measure; support (V) to support
1. ADVOCATE (V) to plead in favor of; one who defends a course; one who pleads the cause of another; (N) a lawyer

2. AESTHETIC* (ADJ) artistic; dealing with or capable of appreciation of the beautiful

3. BLIGHTED* (ADJ) suffering from a disease; destroyed; marred

4. DEPLOY (V) to position or arrange; to utilize; to spread out

5. DEPRAVITY* (N) corruption; wickedness

6. EMACIATED (ADJ) made unnaturally thin

7. EMINENT (ADJ) famous, outstanding, distinguished; projecting

8. FLAGRANT (ADJ) conspicuously bad; glaring; disagreeable or unpleasant

9. GUILE* (N) deceit; duplicity; double-dealing

10. INANE (ADJ) without contents; empty; void of sense or significance; silly, foolish

11. INAUGURATE* (V) to start; initiate; install in office

12. INCITE* (V) to arouse to action

13. MEGALOMANIA (N) a delusion marked by a feeling of power, wealth, talent, etc, far in excess of reality

14. NIRVANA (N) oblivion to care, pain, or external reality

15. PERFUNCTORY* (ADJ) superficial; not thorough

16. PERTURBATION* (N) agitation; anxiety; nervousness

17. REBUTTAL* (N) refutation; response with contrary evidence; an argument against

18. RECTIFY* (V) correct

19. SATIRICAL* (ADJ) mocking; making fun of

20. TENACIOUS (ADJ) holding fast; holding together firmly; persistent; stubborn
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Unit 7

1. AFFIRMATION*  (N)  positive assertion; confirmation; solemn pledge by one who refuses to take an oath
2. AFFLUENT  (ADJ)  well supplied with material possessions; wealthy
3. BRAVADO  (N)  a display of false or assumed courage
4. COERCION*  (N)  use of force to get someone’s compliance
5. COMMODIOUS  (ADJ)  roomy, spacious
6. DEROGATORY  (ADJ)  a belittling remark or action toward another; behavior beneath one’s character
7. DESPONDENT*  (ADJ)  depressed; gloomy
8. EMULATE*  (V)  to imitate; rival
9. ENERVATE*  (V)  to weaken
10. FLIPPANT  (ADJ)  treating lightly a matter that is serious or worthy of respect; disrespectful
11. INCOHERENT  (ADJ)  lacking cohesion; disconnected; rambling
12. INCONGRUOUS*  (ADJ)  not fitting, absurd
13. INCONTROVERTIBLE  (ADJ)  unquestionable, beyond dispute
14. MERCENARY  (ADJ)  acting merely for reward; serving for pay; hired for service; an army not of ones own country; (N) professional soldier for hire
15. PESSIMISM*  (N)  belief that life is basically bad or evil; gloominess
16. PEDAGOGUE  (N)  a teacher of children
17. REFUTE*  (V)  to disprove
18. SATURATE  (V)  to cause to become penetrated as with water; to blanket completely
19. TERSE*  (ADJ)  concise; abrupt; pithy
20. VERTIGO  (N)  dizziness; giddiness
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Unit 8

1. ALLEGE (V) to assert without proof or confirmation
2. ALLUDE (V) to refer to causally or indirectly
3. BREVITY* (N) conciseness
4. COMPATIBLE (ADJ) able to get along or work well together; capable of use with some other
5. COMPOSURE* (N) mental calmness
6. DETACHED* (ADJ) emotionally removed; calm and objective; indifferent
7. DETRIMENT (N) injury or damage, or that which causes injury or damage
8. ENGENDER* (V) to cause; to produce
9. ENIGMA (N) an obscure saying; anything inexplicable; an inscrutable person; puzzle
10. EPHEMERAL* (ADJ) short-lived; fleeting; temporary
11. FLUCTUATE (V) to move or constantly change, as between two points, ideas, etc.
12. GULLIBLE (ADJ) easily duped, fooled or imposed upon
13. HERESY* (N) opinion contrary to popular belief; opinion contrary to accepted religion
14. INCORRIGIBLE* (ADJ) not correctable
15. INCUMBENT (N) the holder of an office; (ADJ) resting or lying upon
16. LETHARGIC (ADJ) drowsy; dull; heavy
17. METHODICAL* (ADJ) systematic
18. NOMINAL (ADJ) so small, slight, or the like as to be hardly worth the name
19. OMNIPOTENT (ADJ) almighty, having unlimited power or authority; all powerful
20. PENSIVE (ADJ) dreamily thoughtful; expressing thoughtfulness with sadness
Unit 9

1. ALTRUISTIC (ADJ) unselfish, concerned with the welfare of others
2. AMBIVALENT (ADJ) having opposite and conflicting feelings about someone or something
3. CONCEDE* (V) to admit; yield; give in
4. CONCISE* (ADJ) brief and compact
5. DIDACTIC* (ADJ) teaching; instructional
6. DILIGENCE* (N) steadiness of effort; persistent hard work
7. EPITOME (N) a part which represents typically a whole; a perfect example
8. EQUANIMITY (N) calmness, composure, refusal to panic
9. FRACTIOUS (ADJ) tending to be troublesome; unruly, quarrelsome, contrary, irritable
10. HETEROGENEOUS (ADJ) composed of different kinds, diverse
11. INDIFFERENCE (N) having a neutral or unbiased disposition; not interested in or concerned about
12. INDISCRIMINATE (ADJ) not showing distinction; unable to tell the difference between; not making careful choices
13. INDOLENT (ADJ) indulging in ease; avoiding exertion; lazy
14. LIBEL (N) written material defaming a person; material published without just cause; slander
15. MISANTHROPE (N) one who hates mankind
16. OPPORTUNIST* (N) individual who sacrifices principles for expediency by taking advantage of circumstances
17. PERMEATE (V) to pass through, esp. of fluids; to spread or pervade
18. PERSEVERE (V) to persist in a course of action in spite of counter influences
19. RELEVANCY* (N) pertinence; reference to the case in hand
20. SCANTY* (ADJ) meager; insufficient
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Unit 10

1. AMNESTY (N) a general pardon for an offense against a government; in general, any act of forgiveness
2. AMORPHOUS* (ADJ) shapeless
3. ANIMOSITY* (N) active enmity (hatred)
4. CONCUR (V) to express agreement, approve
5. CONDONE (V) to pardon or overlook
6. DISCERNING* (ADJ) mentally quick and observant; having insight
7. DISCORDANT* (ADJ) inharmonious; conflicting
8. EQUIVOCAL* (ADJ) doubtful; ambiguous
9. ERRONEOUS* (ADJ) mistaken; wrong
10. FRIVOLITY* (N) lack of seriousness
11. HOMOGENEOUS (ADJ) relating to an entire group or class; not protected by trademark; alike, same
12. INDULGENT* (ADJ) humoring; yielding; lenient
13. INFALLIBLE (ADJ) free from error; absolutely dependable
14. INFER* (V) to deduce; conclude
15. LOATHE (V) to have extreme disgust; to hate
16. MISERLY* (ADJ) stingy; mean
17. OPULENCE (N) wealth; affluence
18. PERVERSE (ADJ) inclined to go against what is expected; to turn stubbornly away from what is good or proper
19. PHILANTHROPIST (N) one who has a love for mankind; shows good will to all men through his actions towards others
20. REMUNERATION (N) act of payment for service or loss; to recompense or pay back
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Unit 11

1. ANOMALY (N) deviation from the common rule; irregularity
2. ANTIQUATED (ADJ) grown old; outmoded; old-fashioned
3. CONGENIAL (ADJ) getting on well with others; agreeable, pleasant
4. CONJUGAL (ADJ) pertaining to marriage, the married state or matrimonial
5. CONSUMMATE (ADJ) complete or perfect in the highest degree; (V) to bring to a state of completion
6. DISCURSIVE* (ADJ) digressing; rambling
7. DISINCLINATION* (N) unwillingness
8. ERUDITE (ADJ) to free from rudeness, polish, instruct; characterized by wide knowledge of a bookish kind; learned; scholarly
9. ESOTERIC* (ADJ) known only to the chosen few
10. HYPOCRITICAL* (ADJ) pretending to be virtuous; deceiving
11. INGENUOUS* (ADJ) naive; young; unsophisticated
12. INGRATIATE (V) to make oneself agreeable and thus gain favorable acceptance by others (sometimes used in a critical or derogatory sense)
13. INHIBITION (N) any inner impediment to free activity, expression; restraint
14. MOROSE* (ADJ) ill-humored; sullen
15. PLACATE* (V) to pacify; conciliate
16. PLATITUDE (N) a commonplace, stale, or trite remark
17. POTENT* (ADJ) powerful; persuasive; greatly influential
18. RENOUNCE* (V) to abandon; discontinue; disown; repudiate
19. SECLUSION* (N) isolation; solitude
20. THWART (V) to oppose successfully; to prevent, frustrate, foil
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<td>1. APATHY (N) a lack of feeling, emotion, or interest</td>
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<td>2. APPEASE* (V) to pacify; soothe</td>
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<td>3. CONTENTIOUS* (ADJ) quarrelsome</td>
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<td>4. CONTRITE* (ADJ) penitent; remorseful; sorry for</td>
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<td>5. DISPASSIONATE* (ADJ) calm; impartial</td>
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<td>6. DISPUTATIOUS* (ADJ) argumentative; fond of argument</td>
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<td>7. EXACERBATE (V) to make more violent, severe, bitter, or painful</td>
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<td>8. EXECRATE (V) to curse</td>
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<td>9. FULSOME (ADJ) offensively insincere or excessive; disgusting, sickening</td>
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<td>10. INITIATE (V) to begin; to admit to a club, sect or the like</td>
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<td>11. INNOVATION* (N) change; introduction of something new</td>
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<td>12. INORDINATE (ADJ) far too great, exceeding reasonable limits, excessive</td>
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<td>13. LOFTY* (ADJ) very high (as in goals or ideals)</td>
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<td>14. MUNDANE (ADJ) earthly, worldly, relating to practical and material affairs; concerned with what is ordinary</td>
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<td>15. OSTENTATIOUS (ADJ) unnecessarily showy</td>
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<td>16. POTPOURRI (N) a collection of diverse or miscellaneous items; a general mixture</td>
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<td>17. PRECARIOUS* (ADJ) uncertain; risky</td>
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<td>18. REPLENISH (V) to supply fully; to fill again or restock</td>
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<td>19. SCRUTINIZE (V) to examine closely</td>
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<td>20. SENILE (ADJ) pertaining to or characteristic of old age; old age or its physical and mental infirmity</td>
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<td>1. ARBITRARY (ADJ) unreasonable; based on one’s own wishes or whims without regard for reason or fairness; spur of the moment</td>
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<td>2. ARDENT (ADJ) very enthusiastic, impassioned</td>
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<td>3. CONVICTION* (N) strongly held belief</td>
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<td>4. COPIOUS (ADJ) abundant, plentiful</td>
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<td>5. DISSONANCE* (N) discord; confusion; noise</td>
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<td>6. DIVERGENT* (ADJ) differing; deviating</td>
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<td>7. DISPARAGE (V) to belittle, speak slightlyingly of; to undervalue; to speak ill of</td>
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<td>8. EXECUTE* (V) to put into effect; carry out</td>
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<td>9. EXEMPLIFY* (V) to serve as an example of; to embody</td>
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<td>10. INSIDIOUS (ADJ) designed or intended to deceive or entrap; sly, treacherous</td>
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<td>11. INSOLVENT* (ADJ) bankrupt; lacking money to pay</td>
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<td>12. LUCRATIVE (ADJ) bringing in money, profitable</td>
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<td>13. NOVELTY* (N) something new; unusual; newness</td>
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<td>14. PRECEDENT (N) an example that may serve as a basis for imitation or later action</td>
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<td>15. PRECOCIOUS (ADJ) showing unusually early development (especially in talents or mental capacity); advanced for one’s age</td>
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<td>16. REPRIMAND (V) to scold, find fault with; (N) a rebuke</td>
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<td>17. SERVILE (ADJ) befitting a slave or servant; behaving like a slave, submissive</td>
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<td>18. SKEPTIC* (N) doubter; person who suspends judgment until he has examined the evidence supporting a point of view</td>
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<td>19. TORPID* (ADJ) dormant; dull; lethargy</td>
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<td>20. TORTUOUS (ADJ) winding, twisted, crooked; highly involved; sometimes deceitful</td>
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Unit 14

1. **ARTICULATE** (ADJ) effective speech; distinct speech; (V) to speak distinctly and clearly

2. **ASININE** (ADJ) like an ass as in stupidity or obstinacy; silly; stupid

3. **CORROBORATE** (V) to confirm

4. **COUP** (N) a highly successful stroke, act, plan, or stratagem; a clever device

5. **DISSENT** (V) to disagree; (N) a disagreement

6. **DIVULGE** (V) to tell, reveal; to make public

7. **EXONERATE** (V) to acquit; exculpate; find blameless

8. **INTANGIBLE** (ADJ) not material; not able to be perceived by touch

9. **INTERMITTENT** (ADJ) periodic; on and off

10. **INTERLOPER** (N) an intruder, one who moves in where he or she is not wanted or has no right to be

11. **LOQUACIOUS** (ADJ) talkative, workday; fond of talking

12. **NUANCE** (N) a subtle or slight variation (as in color, meaning, quality); or shade of difference

13. **PREDECESSOR** (N) former occupant of a post or job

14. **PRESUMPTUOUS** (ADJ) arrogant; taking liberties; conceited

15. **PREVALENT** (ADJ) widespread; generally accepted

16. **REPU DIATE** (V) to disown; disavow

17. **SOLEMNITY** (N) seriousness; gravity

18. **SORDID** (ADJ) wretchedly poor; run-down mean or selfish

19. **UNOBTRUSIVE** (ADJ) inconspicuous; not blatant

20. **VIABLE** (ADJ) capable of living or developing under normal circumstances; usable; workable
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**Unit 15**

1. **ASSIDUOUS** *(ADJ)* persistent, attentive, diligent
2. **ASSUAGE*** *(V)* to ease; lesson (pain)
3. **CRITERION*** *(N)* standard used in judging
4. **CRYPTIC** *(ADJ)* hidden; secret; mysterious
5. **DOGMATIC*** *(ADJ)* asserting an opinion, positive in manner
6. **DROLL** *(ADJ)* odd and laughter-provoking
7. **EXPEDIENT** *(ADJ)* advantageous, useful
8. **FURTIVE** *(ADJ)* done by stealth; hence, sly; stealthy
9. **INTERROGATE** *(V)* to question; to examine by asking questions
10. **INTREPID** *(ADJ)* very brave, fearless, unshakable
11. **INTROSPECTIVE** *(ADJ)* deeply thoughtful; looking into one’s own mind
12. **NURTURE** *(V)* to feed; to foster, to bring up or train
13. **PRODIGIOUS** *(ADJ)* extraordinary in bulk; huge; monstrous
14. **PROFANE*** *(V)* violate; desecrate
15. **PROFUSION*** *(N)* lavish expenditure; overabundant condition
16. **QUELL** *(V)* to subdue, put down forcibly
17. **REPUTED** *(ADJ)* according to reputation or general belief; having widespread acceptance; alleged
18. **RESIGNED*** *(ADJ)* unresisting; patiently submissive
19. **SPONTANEOUS** *(ADJ)* arising naturally; not planned or engineered in advance
20. **TRITE*** *(ADJ)* hackneyed; commonplace
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Unit 16

1. ATROPHY  (N)  a wasting away from lack of nourishment or from disuse
2. AUTONOMOUS*  (ADJ)  self-governing
3. AUDACITY  (N)  adventurous; contempt for the restraints of law, religion
4. CUMULATIVE  (ADJ)  becoming larger by additions; adding to over a period of time
5. DUBIOUS  (ADJ)  causing uncertainty or suspicion; in a doubtful or uncertain state of mind, hesitant
6. DURESS  (N)  compulsion by threat; forcible confinement
7. EXPLOIT  (V)  to make use of, develop; to make improper use of for personal profit
   (N)  an adventure
8. EXTOL*  (V)  to praise; glorify
9. INVALIDATE  (V)  to render invalid or null; to weaken or destroy the force of
10. IRONIC*  (ADJ)  resulting in an unexpected and contrary manner
11. IRRATIONAL  (ADJ)  unreasonable
12. PROLIFIC  (ADJ)  causing or characterized by fruitful reproduction; highly inventive
13. PROPITIOUS  (ADJ)  graciously inclined; a good omen
14. PROTRACT*  (V)  to prolong
15. RETRACT*  (V)  to withdraw; take back
16. REVERE  (V)  to regard with reverence; to regard as holy, sacred
17. STIGMATIZE  (V)  to brand or mark as in some way discreditable, disgraceful
18. STYMIE  (V)  to block or check as if by a plan
19. SUBTERFUGE  (N)  an excuse or trick for escaping or hiding something
20. TRIVIAL  (ADJ)  of little importance
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### Unit 17

1. **AUSTERE** (ADJ) stern; severe or strict; unadorned; severely simple; grave or somber
2. **AVARICE** (N) a greedy desire, particularly for wealth
3. **CYNIC** (N) one who finds fault; a misanthrope; one who believes that human conduct is motivated wholly by self-interest
4. **EXTRICATE** (V) to free; disentangle
5. **IRREVERENCE** (N) lack of proper respect
6. **PROVOKE** (V) to stir to anger; cause retaliation
7. **PRUDENT** (ADJ) conduction oneself wisely and judiciously; cautious, circumspect or discreet
8. **PUNGENT** (ADJ) causing a sharp sensation; stinging, biting
9. **RIFE** (ADJ) common, prevalent, happening often; full, abundant; plentiful
10. **RUMINATE** (V) to meditate, think about at length; to chew the cud
11. **SUCCUMB** (V) to give way to superior force, to yield
12. **SUMPTUOUS** (ADJ) costly, rich, magnificent
13. **SUPERFLUOUS** (ADJ) exceeding what is sufficient or required, in excess
14. **TURPITUDE** (N) inherent baseness; depravity
15. **UNWARRANTED** (ADJ) unjustified; groundless; undeserved
16. **UNWIELDY** (ADJ) not easily carried, handled, or managed
17. **USURP** (V) to seize and hold a position by force or without right
18. **VIRTUOSO** (N) highly skilled artist
19. **VIVACIOUS** (ADJ) lively, sprightly, full of energy
20. **VOLATILE** (ADJ) evaporating rapidly; lighthearted; mercurial; fickle, changeable
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Unit 18

1. SURMISE (V) to think or believe without certain supporting evidence; to conjecture guess; (N) an idea or thought that seems likely but lacks definite proof

2. SURPASS* (V) to exceed; to go beyond the expected

3. SYCOPHANT* (N) servile flatterer

4. VOLITION (N) the power to choose, will, or decide; the act of choosing, willing, or deciding

5. VORACIOUS (ADJ) greedy in eating; ravenous; gluttonous; excessively eager; immoderate

6. WAN (ADJ) dark; gloomy; dusky; sad, sorrowful

7. WARY (ADJ) cautious of danger; guarded

8. WREST (V) to pull or force away by or as if by violence

9. YEN (N) an intense desire; a longing; an urge

10. ZENITH (N) summit; the highest