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Vocabulary List 1 Chapters 1, 2, 3

1. assuage (3)
2. brethren (3)
3. taciturn (4)
4. malevolent (8)
5. entailment (20)
6. sojourn (22)
7. onslaught (23)
8. contemptuous (27)
9. diminutive (27)
10. fractious (29)

1. Which of the words above is the closest in definition to "dwell" or "reside"?
2. How do you assuage Cookie Monster?
3. What word is an antonym for "garrulous"?
4. What would you do with a fractious puppy?
5. Which word might describe a dollhouse?
6. Which word is synonymous with the word "barrage"?
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Vocabulary List 2 Chapters 4, 5, 6

1. auspicious (32)
2. melancholy (39)
3. benign (42)
4. tacit (42)
5. morbid (43)
6. placidly (46)
7. edification (49)
8. inquisitive (49)
9. prowess (51)
10. malignant (55)

1. What would you say to a melancholy friend?
2. Would you rather have a malignant or a benign tumor?
3. What age group is commonly considered the more inquisitive: children or the elderly?
4. What holiday involves a morbid preoccupation?
5. Completing this vocabulary activity will lead to your ___________.
6. A wedding is usually considered an ______ occasion.
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Vocabulary List 3 Chapters 7, 8, 9

1. embalming (59)
2. cleave (61)
3. palate (61)
4. aberrations (63)
5. unfathomable (63)
6. perpetrate (67)
7. adjacent (71)
8. analogous (77)
9. deportment (81)
10. invective (87)

1) Demonstrating this kind of speech will likely land you in the principal’s office.
2) Sometimes siblings have _______ bedrooms.
3) A mortician would be qualified to provide _______ services to a family.
4) This is where the peanut butter goes.
5) To be a good role model for younger students, you should watch what you say as well as your _________.
6) An axe is used to ______ wood.
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Vocabulary List 4 Chapters 10, 11, 12

1. bout (89)
2. feeble (89)
3. rudiments (90)
4. peril (91)
5. passé (99)
6. livid (100)
7. arbor (101)
8. degeneration (102)
9. umbrage (102)
10. austere (122)

1. Monks lead a self-initiated _______ lifestyle.
2. Some people suffer each winter from a ______ with the flu.
3. Young students memorize the multiplication tables; they are the ______ of math.
4. When we get older, we may become more ________.
5. Eighties music has become ________.
6. A lovely garden may include a natural ________.
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Vocabulary List 5 Chapters 13, 14, 15

1. sluggish (128)
2. prerogative (129)
3. myopic (130)
4. taut (137)
5. infallible (140)
6. ominous (146)
7. affliction (149)
8. ecclesiastical (150)
9. façade (150)
10. venerable (150)

1. When you have a choice, then you have a ________.

2. Sometimes when we first wake up, we are a bit ________.

3. When we are little, we sometimes think our parents are ________, later we find out that they make mistakes as we do.

4. Seminary school is for ________ students.

5. In Anglo Saxon England, a very respected author was named the ________ Bede.

6. The dark cloud was an ________ indication of the approaching storm.
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Vocabulary List 6 Chapters 16, 17, 18

1. profane (156)
2. formidable (159)
3. subpoena (160)
4. dispel (162)
5. turbulent (169)
6. dogged (174)
7. tenet (177)
8. ambidextrous (178)
9. perpetual (183)
10. tedious (185)

1. Someone said the Backstreet Boys were coming to my birthday party; I must _______ that rumor.
2. Working in a factory environment can be _______ because of the repetitive tasks.
3. Although she was hoping for a smooth ride, Monica was a passenger on a very _______ roller coaster.
4. Are you _______ enough to write with both hands?
5. The young lady was punished for writing a ______ message on her notebook.
6. Our team was sad to lose the game, but we knew we were up against a ______ opponent.
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Vocabulary List 7 Chapters 19, 20, 21

1. volition (192)
2. candid (198)
3. impudent (198)
4. discreet (200)
5. fraud (201)
6. detachment (202)
7. temerity (204)
8. caliber (204)
9. pauper (205)
10. indignant (207)

1. Tiffany’s mom was about to encourage her to volunteer, but Tiffany volunteered of her own _______
2. Charlatans are declared _______.
3. A ______ is destitute.
4. To earn the scholarship, you must be someone of high moral _______.
5. The young lady built a successful business by demonstrating prudence, not _______.
6. The teacher did not appreciate little Sally’s ______ remark.
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Vocabulary List 8 Chapters 22, 23, 24

1. cynical (214)
2. feral (214)
3. heathen (216)
4. vehement (221)
5. infantile (226)
6. devout (230)
7. impertinence (230)
8. squalor (231)
9. bovine (232)
10. brevity (233)

1. The farmer earned the National _________ Award for his work with milk pasteurization.
2. Despite its _________, the short story was most descriptive.
3. The preacher said smoking was a __________ behavior.
4. It was sad that the children were discovered living in __________.
5. The new employee was criticized for her _____________.
6. Immature behavior is most ____________, particularly among those who should behave more maturely.
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Vocabulary List 9 Chapters 25, 26, 27

1. scowling (238)
2. veneer (240)
3. remorse (242)
4. recluse (242)
5. spurious (244)
6. notoriety (248)
7. florid (248)
8. nondescript (248)
9. carcass (249)
10. eccentricities (250)

1. I wouldn’t want to be the person who has to put up an animal ______ off of the road.
2. The ______ hadn’t been out in public for many years.
3. Harper Lee’s prose style is described as ______.
4. It was hard for me to choose a favorite dress out of the three she presented; to me they were all ________.
5. Parents grow tired of looking at the ________ faces of ungrateful children.
6. That which is not authentic is __________.
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Vocabulary List 10 Chapters 28, 29, 30, 31

1. irascible (255)
2. gait (255)
3. furtive (255)
4. pinioned (262)
5. staccato (263)
6. reprimand (270)
7. blandly (271)
8. connive (273)
9. competent (274)
10. enacting (279)

1. The horse’s injury resulted in an unusual _______.
2. The musician made the _______ notes sound like rain on a tin roof.
3. At what are you most competent?
4. The babysitter was told to ______ the puppy for jumping on the counter.
5. She must not want to go to the movies tonight. She accepted the invitation rather _________.
6. The super model’s new career is most philanthropic; she is ______ a positive change in the educational community.