




*Vocabulary

Unit 5

1. anecdote- (n) a short account of an incident in someone's life
syn- tale, sketch, vignette, yarn
2. consolidate- (v) to combine, unite; to make solid or firm
syn- strengthen, firm up, merge
ant- scatter, disperse, dissipate
3. counterfeit- (n) an imitation designed to deceive; (adj) not genuine, fake; (v) to make an illegal copy
syn- (adj) fake, phony, bogus
ant- genuine, real, authentic
4. docile- (adj) easily taught, led, or managed; obedient
syn- manageable, teachable, pliant
ant- unruly, wayward, intractable, disobedient 
5. dominate- (v) to rule over by strength or power, control; to tower over, command due to height
syn- govern, overlook

6. entreat- (v) to beg, implore, ask earnestly
syn- plead, appeal to
ant- clamor for
7. fallible- (adj) capable of being wrong, mistaken, or inaccurate
syn- errant, flawed
ant- foolproof, unfailing, flawless
8. fickle- (adj) liable to change very rapidly, erratic, marked by a lack of constancy or steadiness, inconsistent
syn- inconstant, faithless
ant- constant, steady
9. fugitive- (n) one who flees or runs away; (adj) fleeting, lasting a very short time; difficult to grasp
syn- (n) deserter; (adj) elusive
ant- (adj) lasting, enduring, permanent
10. grimy- (adj) very dirty, covered with dirt or soot
syn- filthy, sooty, soiled, dirt-encrusted
ant- spotless, spick-and-span, immaculate



11. iota- (n) a very small part or quantity

syn- speck, dab, job, bit, smidgen

ant- flood, deluge, avalanche, glut

12. maul- (v) to beat or knock about, handle roughly; to mangle; (n) a heavy hammer

syn- (v) manhandle, batter

13. potential- (adj) possible, able to happen; (n) something that can develop or become a reality

syn- (n) possibility, capability

ant- (adj) actual, real, unlikely, impossible

14. radiant- (adj) shining, bright; giving forth light or energy

syn- glowing, brilliant, dazzling, resplendent

ant- dull, tarnished, lackluster

15. rural- (adj) relating to farm areas and life in the country

syn- countrified, pastoral

ant- metropolitan, citified



16. substantial- (adj) large, important; major, significant; prosperous; not imaginary, material

syn- considerable, tangible, big

ant- minor, insignificant, negligible

17. tactful- (adj) skilled in handling difficult situations or people, polite

syn- skillful, discreet

ant- clumsy, gauche, indiscreet

18. tamper- (v) to interfere with; to handle in a secret and improper way

syn- monkey with, fool with, mess with

19. ultimate- (adj) last, final; most important or extreme; eventual; basic, fundamental

syn- farthest, furthest, terminal

ant- first, initial, most immediate, nearest



20. uncertainty- (n) doubt, the state of being unsure

syn- doubtfulness, unsureness

ant- sureness, certainty, confidence