

# SADLIER VOCAB



## UNIT 12

**1. Abound (v.): to be plentiful, be filled**

**Synonyms: burst with, overflow with, teem with**

**Antonyms: lack, want**

**2. Braggart (n.): a boaster; (adj.) boastful in a loud annoying way**

**Synonyms: bigmouth, blowhard**

**3. Cache (n.): a hiding place; something hidden or stored**

**Synonyms: stockpile, hoard, store**

**4. Clarification (n.) : the act of making clear or understandable,  
an explanation**

**Synonyms: elucidation**

**5. Despondent (adj.): sad, without hope, discouraged**

**Synonyms: dejected, depressed, forlorn**

**Antonyms: jubilant, elated**

**6. Embezzle (v.): to steal property entrusted to one's care**

**Synonyms: swindle, defraud**

**7. Heartrending (adj.): causing mental pain or grief**

**Synonyms: moving, sad, heartbreaking, poignant**

**Antonyms: amusing, funny, hilarious**

**8. Leisurely (adj.): unhurried, taking plenty of time; (adv.) in an easygoing or unhurried way**

**Synonyms: (adj.) slow, relaxed**

**Antonyms: (adj.) hasty, hurried, rushed, hectic**

**9. Lethargic (adj.): unnaturally sleepy; dull, slow moving ; indifferent**

**Synonyms: lazy, sluggish, listless**

**Antonyms: wide-awake, alert, energetic, dynamic**

**10. Malady (n.): a sickness, illness, disease, disorder**

**Synonyms: ailment, affliction**

**Antonyms: health, well-being**

**11. Mellow (adj.) ripe, well-matured; soft, sweet, and rich; gentle, pleasant; (v.) to become gentle and sweet**

**Synonyms: (adj.) dulcet, creamy**

**Antonyms: (adj.) unripe, green, harsh, grating, strident**

**12. Nomadic (adj.):** wandering, moving about from place to place

**Synonyms:** roaming, vagrant, migratory, itinerant

**Antonyms:** stationary, settled, rooted, fixed

**13. Piecemeal (adj.):** one piece at a time; (adv.) gradually

**Synonyms:** (adv.) bit by bit

**Antonyms:** (adv.) all at once

**14. Quest (n.):** a search, hunt; (v.) to search, seek, ask

**Synonyms:** (n.) pursuit, venture

**15. Random (adj.):** by chance, not planned or prearranged; irregular

**Synonyms:** haphazard, accidental

**Antonyms:** planned, systematic

**16. Rant (v.):** to speak wildly and noisily; (n.) loud, violent talk

**Synonyms:** (v.) rave, fume, spout

**Antonyms:** (v.) whisper, murmur

**17. Reinforce (v.):** to make stronger with new materials or support

**Synonyms:** strengthen, bolster, prop up

**Antonyms:** weaken, undermine, sap, impair

**18. Seclusion (n.): isolation from others, solitude**

**Synonyms: aloneness, solitariness**

**Antonyms: the thick of things**

**19. Status (n.): a person's condition or position in the eyes of the law; relative rank or standing, especially in society; prestige**

**Synonyms: recognition, standing**

**20. Turmoil (n.) a state of great confusion or disorder; mental strain or agitation**

**Synonyms: upheaval, tumult**

**Antonyms: peace and quiet, order**