

Vocabulary

Unit 7

1. **amiss-** (adj) faulty, imperfect, not as it should be; (adv) in a mistaken or improper way, wrongly

synonym: (adj, adv) awry

antonyms: (adv) properly

2. **brawl-** (n) a noisy quarrel or fight; (v) to quarrel or fight noisily

synonym: (n) scuffle, donnybrook; (v) spar, scrap

3. **detest-** (v) to hate, dislike very much, loathe

synonym: despise, abhor

antonyms: relish, love, admire, esteem

4. **domestic-** (adj) native to a country, not foreign; relating to the life or affairs of a household; (n) a household servant

synonym: (adj) native; (n) servant

antonyms: (adj) foreign, alien

5. **flagrant-** (adj) extremely bad, glaring; scandalous, notorious

synonym: blatant, gross, outrageous

antonyms: petty, piddling, trifling, inconsequential

6. **flaw-** (n) a slight fault, defect, crack

synonym: imperfection, blemish

antonyms: faultlessness, perfection

7. **fledgling-** (n) an inexperienced person, beginner, a young bird about to leave the nest; (adj) inexperienced, budding

synonym: novice, tyro, neophyte

antonyms: (n) pro, expert, veteran

8. **fluster-** (v) to make or become confused, agitated, or nervous: (n) a state of confusion or agitation

synonym: (v) agitate, disconcert

antonyms: (v) reassure, soothe, quiet

9. **foremost-** (adj) chief, most important, primary; (adv) in the first place

synonym: (adj) leading, principal, paramount

antonyms: (adj) hindmost, last, secondary

10. **momentum-** (n) the force or speed with which something moves

synonym: drive, thrust, impetus

11. notable- (adj) striking, remarkable: (n) a person who is well known, distinguished, or outstanding in some way

synonym: (adj) noteworthy, exceptional

antonyms: (adj) undistinguished, unremarkable; (n) unknown

12. nurture- (v) to bring up, care for, train, nourish; (n) rearing, training, upbringing

synonym: (v) raise, rear, foster

antonyms: (v) neglect, ignore, discourage, hinder

13. paradox- (n) a self-contradictory statement that on closer examination proves true; a person or thing with seemingly contradictory qualities

synonym: riddle, enigma, anomaly, absurdity

14. perjury- (n) the act of swearing to a lie

synonym: false witness

15. presume- (v) to take for granted, assume or suppose; to dare, take upon oneself, take liberties

synonym: surmise, trespass, infringe

16. prior- (adj) earlier, former

synonym: anterior, preceding

antonyms: later, ensuing, following

17. proficient- (adj) skilled, expert, or capable in any field or activity

synonym: competent, adept

antonyms: incompetent, inept, unskilled, ignorant

18. salvo- (n) a burst of gunfire or cannon shot, often as a tribute or salute; a sudden burst of anything; a spirited verbal attack

synonym: barrage, volley

19. vigilant- (adj) wide-awake, alert, watchful

synonym: attentive

antonyms: sleepy, inattentive, unobservant

20. wrath- (n) intense anger

synonym: rage, ire, choler, indignation

antonyms: favor, approval, pleasure, blessing