

Vocabulary

Unit 6

1. **anonymous (adj.)** unnamed, without the name of the person involved (writer, composer, etc.); unknown; lacking individuality or character.

synonym: nameless

2. **browse (v.)** to nibble, graze; to read casually; to window-shop

synonyms: scan, dip into

antonyms: pore over, scrutinize

3. **dupe (n.)** a person easily tricked or deceived; (v.) to deceive

synonyms: mislead, hoodwink, delude

antonyms: undeceive, disabuse

4. **dynamic (adj.)** active, energetic, forceful

synonyms: high-powered, bold

antonyms: lazy, lackadaisical, lethargic, sluggish

5. **eradicate (v.)** to root out, get rid of, destroy completely

synonyms: uproot, abolish

antonyms: implant, install, foster, promote

6. **frustrate (v.)** to prevent from accomplishing a purpose or fulfilling a desire; to cause feelings of discouragement.

synonyms: foil, baffle, disappoint

antonyms: help, assist, abet

7. **grim (adj.)** stern, merciless; fierce, savage, cruel
synonyms: dreadful, frightful
antonyms: mild, merciful, delightful
8. **inimitable (adj.)** not capable of being copied or imitated
synonyms: matchless, incomparable, unique
9. **makeshift (n.)** a temporary substitute for something else; (adj.) crude, flimsy, or temporary
synonyms: (n.) stopgap, improvisation
antonyms: (adj.) permanent, durable, solid, sturdy
10. **marginal (adj.)** in, at, or near the edge or margin; only barely good, large, or important enough for the purpose
synonyms: borderline, peripheral
antonyms: central, pivotal, focal
11. **pending (adj.)** waiting to be settled; (prep.) until
synonyms: unsettled, unfinished
antonyms: settled, decided, resolved

12. **prescribe (v.)** to order as a rule or course to be followed; to order for medical purposes
synonyms: specify, appoint
13. **preview (n.)** something seen in advance; (v.) to view beforehand
synonym: (n.) foretaste
14. **prominent (adj.)** standing out so as to be easily seen; important, well-known
synonyms: conspicuous, noticeable
antonyms: inconspicuous, unnoticeable, obscure
15. **quaint (adj.)** odd or old-fashioned in a pleasing way; clever, ingenious; skillfully made
synonyms: picturesque, peculiar, strange, curious
antonyms: familiar, commonplace, modern, contemporary
16. **reluctant (adj.)** unwilling, holding back
synonyms: hesitant, loath, disinclined
antonyms: unwilling, eager, inclined

17. **scrimp (v.)** to handle very economically or stingily; to supply in a way that is small, short, or scanty

synonyms: economize

antonym: splurge

18. **snare (v.)** to trap, catch; (n.) a trap or entanglement

synonyms: (n.) pitfall; (v.) entrap

antonym: liberate

19. **utmost (adj.)** greatest, highest, farthest; (n.) the extreme limit

synonyms: (adj. n.) supreme, best

antonym: least

20. **vengeance (n.)** punishment in return for an injury or a wrong; unusual force or violence

synonyms: retaliation, reprisal

antonyms: forgiveness, pardon