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afford

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Define: If you can **afford** something, you have enough money to pay for it.

Example: Jill looked at the price tag to see if she could **afford** to buy the blouse.

Ask: Name something you would like to be able to **afford.**

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Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **loan** is money borrowed.

Example: Lin asked her mom for a **loan** of five dollars.

Ask: When have you made a loan to someone?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Profit is the amount of money left after all business costs have been paid.

Example: Jem and Ana set up a lemonade stand and made a **profit** of five dollars from the sales.

Ask: When have you made a profit?

prosper

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savings

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Define: When you **prosper**, you do well and become successful.

Example: When enough rain falls and the weather is good, a garden can **prosper**.

Ask: What other things help people to **prosper?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Risk is the chance of loss or harm.

Example: Firefighters take a great **risk** when they enter a burning building.

Ask: In what other jobs do people take a risk?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Savings is money set aside for the future.

Example: Ray sets aside one dollar a week from his allowance and puts it in his **savings.**

Ask: What would you like to do with some savings?

scarce

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accomplish

Define: When something is **scarce**, it is difficult to get or find.

Example: Water can become **scarce** after many hot weeks with no rain.

Ask: What is another word for **scarce?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Wages are payments received for work done.

Example: Sam and his brother earn **wages** for raking leaves every autumn.

Ask: What is a synonym for wages?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **accomplish** a task, you complete it successfully.

Example: With Grandpa's help, I was able to **accomplish** my project more quickly.

Ask: What would you like to **accomplish** today?

anxious

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assemble

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decipher

Define: If you are **anxious**, you feel nervous and worried about what may happen.

Example: Rita was **anxious** about the research project, so she checked many sources.

Ask: Describe a situation that made you feel anxious.

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When people assemble, they come together.

Example: When all the students **assemble** in the room, we will begin the play.

Ask: Where else might a large group assemble?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Decipher means "to figure out something that is difficult to understand."

Example: The archaeologists had to **decipher** the code in the rock drawings in order to understand what they meant.

Ask: When is handwriting hard to **decipher?**

distracted

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navigate

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options

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Define: If he **distracted** you, he drew your attention away from what you were doing.

Example: When my friend **distracted** my attention, her dog swiped my frozen treat.

Ask: What things have **distracted** your attention from studying?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **navigate**, you find your way over or through an area.

Example: We used a map to help **navigate** our way around the park.

Ask: In what other ways do people navigate?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Options are choices or alternatives.

Example: The grocery store offered many different vegetable **options.**

Ask: What is a synonym for **options?**

retrace

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debris

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emphasis

Define: When you **retrace** your steps, you go back over them.

Example: Carl was able to **retrace** his footsteps to find his way home.

Ask: What is another word or phrase for retrace?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Debris is the scattered remains of something.

Example: The science class picked up **debris** that had washed up on the beach.

Ask: What is a synonym for debris?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you say something with **emphasis**, you use special force or stress when saying a particular word or syllable.

Example: When Elena said, "Shhh," she put her finger to her lips for **emphasis.**

Ask: How can you show **emphasis** when you talk?

encounter

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generations

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indicated

Define: An **encounter** is an unexpected meeting.

Example: During a hike, you might have an **encounter** with a butterfly.

Ask: What is a synonym for encounter?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A son, father, and grandfather are three **generations** who all have a common family ancestor.

Example: My grandma has a pie recipe that has been in my family for many **generations.**

Ask: How many **generations** of a family might be at a holiday meal?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Yesterday he **indicated**, or showed a sign, that he was willing to help us paint the fence.

Example: The thermometer **indicated** that it was hot outside.

Ask: What is a synonym for **indicated?**

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sheer

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spectacular

Define: A **naturalist** is a person who specializes in the study of things in nature, especially animals and plants.

Example: The **naturalist** told us about many of the plants and animals she studied.

Ask: What is something you might ask a **naturalist?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If a rock ledge is **sheer**, it is steep.

Example: When we looked up at the **sheer** rock, we knew it would be impossible to climb.

Ask: What else might you describe as sheer?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: The magic show was **spectacular** because it was very unusual and impressive.

Example: The mountaintop provides **spectacular** views.

Ask: What else might you describe as spectacular?

breakthrough

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claimed

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Define: A **breakthrough** is an important advance.

Example: Sam had been trying to think of a project idea when he finally had a **breakthrough.**

Ask: What kind of **breakthrough** would you like to see?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you are **captivated**, you are influenced by charm, art, or skill.

Example: Josh was **captivated** by the action movie in 3-D.

Ask: What is something that has captivated you?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **claimed** the prize, you declared it as your own.

Example: After her flight landed, Marika happily **claimed** her suitcase.

Ask: What is something you claimed that was yours?

devices

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enthusiastically

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envisioned

Define: Devices are things that are made or invented for a particular purpose.

Example: Many people use electronic **devices** every day to tell time, read, and communicate.

Ask: What devices do you use?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you respond **enthusiastically,** you act in a way that shows great interest or excitement.

Example: Fans cheered **enthusiastically** when their team won.

Ask: What events make you react enthusiastically?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When she **envisioned** the school year, she imagined good things would happen in her future.

Example: As Sara stared at the map, she **envisioned** traveling all over the world.

Ask: Tell about something you have envisioned.

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access

Define: If you are **passionate** about baseball, you have or show a strong feeling about it.

Example: Cal is **passionate** about protecting all animals from harm.

Ask: Describe a person who is **passionate** about something.

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Patents are papers that give a person or company the right to make, use, or sell new inventions for a certain number of years.

Example: Inventors who have **patents** for their inventions can make money from them.

Ask: What inventions do you think have patents?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **access** information, you get it from a source, such as the Internet.

Example: In order to **access** the locked room, Brad had to punch in a special number code.

Ask: How do you **access** information on a computer?

advance

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Define: When you **advance**, you move forward or make progress.

Example: Many citizens have marched on Washington to **advance** people's rights.

Ask: What would you do to **advance** a cause you believed in?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **analysis** is a careful examination or study of something.

Example: A magnifying glass helped Karina make a careful **analysis** of the seashell.

Ask: How do you do an **analysis** of information for a report?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **cite** something, you mention it as proof or evidence.

Example: When doing research, it is important to identify and **cite** sources of information.

Ask: What sources might you **cite** when writing a report about a country?

counterpoint

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data

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drawbacks

Define: A **counterpoint** is an opposing, or disagreeing, point of view.

Example: The positive review from one critic was in **counterpoint** to another's bad review.

Ask: What opinion have you had in **counterpoint** to that of a friend?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Data are facts, figures, and other kinds of information.

Example: The students gathered **data** for their experiment by measuring a bubble's size.

Ask: What data would you need to write a weather report?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Drawbacks are problems or disadvantages.

Example: Limited room for passengers and little trunk space are **drawbacks** of a small car.

Ask: What are some **drawbacks** to going on a hike without the right equipment?

reasoning

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committees

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Define: Reasoning is having the ability to think in a logical way.

Example: James used his **reasoning** skills before deciding on his next chess move.

Ask: What other situations require good **reasoning?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Committees are groups of people chosen to do certain work.

Example: I am on one of the **committees** to plan our class trip.

Ask: What **committees** could help plan a school talent show?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **convention** is a formal meeting for a special purpose.

Example: Ms. Blake attends a **convention** of music teachers every year.

Ask: What kind of **convention** would you like to attend?

debate

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proposal

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representatives

Define: Debate means "to argue or discuss."

Example: The council members will **debate** the benefits and costs of a new park before they vote on it.

Ask: What is a synonym for **debate?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A proposal is a plan or suggestion.

Example: The mayor shared a **proposal**, or plan, to build a new community center.

Ask: Do you have a **proposal** that would improve your community?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Representatives are people chosen to speak or act for others.

Example: Our government **representatives** help make laws to benefit our country.

Ask: What qualities should **representatives** have?

resolve

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situation

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union

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Define: To **resolve** something is to settle, explain, or solve it.

Example: To try to **resolve** the argument over food choices, Mrs. Marks asked Jeremy to discuss the importance of nutrition.

Ask: What steps help you resolve a problem?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **situation** is a condition or the state of affairs.

Example: The icy roads caused a dangerous driving **situation.**

Ask: What kinds of weather can cause serious situations?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **union** is formed by joining two or more together.

Example: The United States is a **union** of 50 states that joined together.

Ask: What two states in the country are not physically connected to the rest of the **union?**

circumstances

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consideration

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consults

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Define: Circumstances are conditions or events that exist with other things and may have an effect on them.

Example: There are many **circumstances** that can make roads impossible to drive on.

Ask: Under what **circumstances** might schools be closed?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: His **consideration**, or careful thought, is needed before making a final decision.

Example: My mom gives careful **consideration** to the fresh fruits she buys.

Ask: What is a synonym for consideration?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Sometimes a friend **consults** with you to ask for advice.

Example: A driver **consults** a map to find which road to travel on.

Ask: Explain why someone **consults** a dictionary.

destiny

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expectations

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presence

Define: Destiny is what happens, especially when it seems to be determined in advance.

Example: Lena loves ballet so much, I think her **destiny** is to become a dancer.

Ask: What might the **destiny** of a hard-working student be?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you have **expectations**, you believe or expect that certain things will happen.

Example: Jamie's present lived up to her **expectations.**

Ask: Tell about something that lived up to your **expectations.**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Presence is the area around or near a person.

Example: The visitors were thrilled to be in the **presence** of the Queen of England.

Ask: When have you been in the **presence** of someone well known?

reveal

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unsure

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behaviors

Define: If you **reveal** the hidden object in your hand, you show or display it.

Example: The actor opened the curtain to **reveal** what was behind it.

Ask: Why don't magicians **reveal** their secrets?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **unsure** about where to look for information, you are not certain where you should look.

Example: The chess player was **unsure** of what move to make next.

Ask: What is an antonym for **unsure?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Behaviors are the way that animals or human beings act.

Example: We rewarded our dog with a treat for all its good **behaviors.**

Ask: What kinds of **behaviors** are encouraged at school?

disappearance

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energetic

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Define: A **disappearance** happens when something or someone can no longer be seen or found.

Example: A detective investigated the **disappearance** of the painting.

Ask: What explains the **disappearance** of snow in spring?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **energetic** person is active and full of life.

Example: Rina is so **energetic**, she ran three races and was not even tired.

Ask: What is another word or phrase for energetic?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If your school receives a **flurry** of phone calls, it receives many phone calls at once.

Example: The wind blew a **flurry** of blossoms off the cherry trees.

Ask: What might cause a **flurry** of birds in the sky?

migrate

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observation

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Define: Many birds **migrate** in the winter to escape the cold air.

Example: Some birds **migrate** to warmer places each winter.

Ask: What kinds of animals **migrate** to or from your area when seasons change?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you make an **observation**, you notice or carefully look at something.

Example: Binoculars helped Carlos's **observation** of the ships at sea.

Ask: What other tools help with observation?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **theory** is an idea or opinion that has not been proven to be true.

Example: Nan had a **theory** about how the pillow got shredded.

Ask: What **theory** might explain why your pet is not hungry for dinner?

transformed

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assuring

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detected

Define: When he **transformed** the rusty old car, he changed how it looked.

Example: Large, colorful clothes and face paint **transformed** Nora into a clown.

Ask: How is an empty stage **transformed** for a show?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you are **assuring**, you are making someone feel certain or sure about something.

Example: One job of a coach is **assuring** athletes that practicing will make them better.

Ask: What might a coach say when assuring a team?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **detected** the smell of smoke, you found it or noticed it.

Example: By the way he sniffed, I knew my dog **detected** another animal.

Ask: What have you **detected** by looking?

emerging

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gratitude

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guidance

Define: If something is **emerging**, it is coming into view and can be seen.

Example: I watched as the colorful butterfly was **emerging** from its chrysalis.

Ask: What word or phrase has the same meaning as **emerging?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Gratitude is a feeling of thankfulness.

Example: Lena and I gave flowers to our aunt to show our **gratitude** for her help.

Ask: What are other ways people show their gratitude?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Guidance is leadership or direction.

Example: With my Uncle Rico's **guidance**, I learned how to play guitar.

Ask: Whose **guidance** has helped you learn a new skill?

outcome

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previous

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pursuit

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Define: An **outcome** is a result or consequence.

Example: The team was pleased with the winning **outcome** of the game.

Ask: When has the **outcome** of a game surprised you?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Previous means "before" or "earlier."

Example: The **previous** month, July, was summer vacation.

Ask: What was the name of your previous teacher?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **pursuit** is a chase.

Example: On the nature documentary, I watched a lion in **pursuit** of a zebra.

Ask: What might a house cat be in **pursuit** of?

ambitious

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memorized

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Define: If you are **ambitious**, you have a strong desire to succeed at something.

Example: Paulo is an **ambitious** bike rider and always looks for challenges.

Ask: Who do you know that you would describe as **ambitious?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **memorized** something, you learned it by heart.

Example: Pat **memorized** the poem and recited it perfectly for the class.

Ask: What is the name of a poem or song that you **memorized?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Satisfaction is feeling pleased when you accomplish something.

Example: Participating in sports, such as basketball, gave Jason great **satisfaction.**

Ask: What activity gives you great satisfaction?

shuddered

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appreciation

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blurted

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Define: If you **shuddered**, you shook or trembled from fear or cold.

Example: Jill **shuddered** as she bit into the tart, juicy lemon.

Ask: What is a synonym for **shuddered?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you understand the value of something, you have an **appreciation** for it.

Example: Gram showed her **appreciation** for my help by giving me a hug.

Ask: How do you show **appreciation** for someone's help?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If he blurted out the answer, he said it suddenly.

Example: By mistake, I **blurted** out the secret about the surprise.

Ask: How would you feel after you **blurted** out a secret?

complimenting

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congratulate

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contradicted

Define: When you say something nice about someone, you are **complimenting** that person.

Example: Complimenting me when I do well makes me feel great.

Ask: If you were **complimenting** a friend, what would you say?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Congratulate means "to give praise or good wishes for something that has happened."

Example: After Niki lost the race, she went over to **congratulate** the winner.

Ask: What might you congratulate someone for?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: The baker's story **contradicted**, or disagreed with, the butcher's story.

Example: The witness **contradicted** what he had said earlier, and the lawyer pointed it out.

Ask: When have you **contradicted** something you said previously?

critical

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cultural

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misunderstanding

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Define: A person who is **critical** will find fault or have an opinion that something is wrong.

Example: A **critical** person often finds fault with what others do and points it out.

Ask: When have you been **critical** of yourself?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you research your family's **cultural** past, you learn about your family customs, beliefs, and traditions.

Example: Languages, foods, and celebrations are examples of **cultural** differences.

Ask: Give two examples of **cultural** activities.

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When friends have a **misunderstanding**, they fail to understand one another.

Example: Mira wore the wrong clothes as a result of a **misunderstanding.**

Ask: How would you handle a **misunderstanding** with a friend?

civilization

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complex

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cultivate

Define: A **civilization** is a society in which agriculture, trade, art, science, and government are highly developed.

Example: I am excited to look at the unique artifacts that an ancient **civilization** left behind.

Ask: What past **civilization** interests you most?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something **complex** is difficult to understand or do.

Example: The **complex** jigsaw puzzle was a challenge to finish.

Ask: What is an antonym for complex?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: To **cultivate** is to improve, develop, or make something better.

Example: It takes time and work to **cultivate** a beautiful garden.

Ask: How do you cultivate a friendship?

devise

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fashioned

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resourceful

Define: If you **devise** a strategy, you think about it and plan it carefully.

Example: My mom helped our family **devise** a plan for eating healthfully.

Ask: What healthful plan would you like to devise?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: The artist **fashioned**, or shaped, the clay into the form of a flower pot.

Example: I watched as the potter **fashioned** a vase out of clay.

Ask: What other items can be **fashioned** from clay?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A person who is **resourceful** is skilled in dealing with new or difficult situations.

Example: Birds are **resourceful** when finding materials to build nests.

Ask: What qualities does a **resourceful** person have?

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shortage

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tormentors

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contact

Define: A **shortage** is a lack of supply.

Example: The river was drying up from a **shortage** of rainwater.

Ask: Why is a **shortage** of water dangerous?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Tormentors are people or things that cause pain.

Example: Flies and mosquitoes can be **tormentors** to people in summer.

Ask: How can cats be tormentors to birds?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Contact is a touching or meeting of things.

Example: When I turned on the gas stove, the flame made **contact** with the metal pot

Ask: What happens when your hand comes into **contact** with something hot?

erode

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formation

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moisture

Define: Erode means "to wear or wash away very slowly."

Example: When storms **erode** the beach, they carry away sand from the shore.

Ask: Why does the beach get smaller when storms **erode** it?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **formation** is something that is made or formed.

Example: The marching band played in **formation** during halftime.

Ask: Does **formation** mean that you make something or destroy it?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Moisture is a slight wetness caused by water or another liquid.

Example: I knew it had rained when I saw drops of **moisture** on the leaves.

Ask: What is an antonym for **moisture?**

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particles

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repetition

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structure

Define: Particles are very small bits or pieces.

Example: Tiny **particles** of sand floated in the light shining across the dunes.

Ask: What is a synonym for **particles?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Repetition is saying or doing something over and over.

Example: I do each exercise in a **repetition** of ten, and hope to increase it to twenty.

Ask: What is a skill you have learned better through **repetition?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **structure** is an arrangement of parts that fit together.

Example: My little sister built a **structure** with blocks.

Ask: Did you ever build a **structure**, such as a castle or fort?

visible

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artificial

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collaborate

Define: When something is **visible**, it can be seen.

Example: The boy's face was **visible** through the apartment window.

Ask: What is visible from your window?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Artificial describes a thing not made by nature.

Example: Mike's **artificial** leg did not prevent him from playing most sports.

Ask: When might you need something to be **artificial** rather than real?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When we **collaborate**, we work together.

Example: Many students will **collaborate** to create our school's new banner.

Ask: What other projects might require you to **collaborate** with others?

dedicated

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flexible

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function

Define: If the driver **dedicated** his time to volunteer, he gave or devoted his time.

Example: Tina **dedicated** herself to learning the song for the choir concert.

Ask: When have you **dedicated** all your efforts to learning something?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something **flexible** is able to bend without breaking.

Example: The dancer's body was so **flexible** that he could twist into almost any position.

Ask: Why is it important for athletes to be **flexible?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When using a tool, you should understand its **function,** or its use or purpose.

Example: The main **function** of a hammer is pounding nails.

Ask: What is the main **function** of another common tool?

mimic

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obstacle

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techniques

Define: When you **mimic** something, you imitate it.

Example: Some insects can **mimic** a tree branch or twig to hide themselves.

Ask: What other animals can **mimic** something?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An obstacle stands in the way or blocks progress.

Example: The fallen tree created an **obstacle** in the road, and cars could not get through.

Ask: What sort of **obstacle** have you encountered trying to get somewhere?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Techniques are special ways of doing something to achieve a desired result.

Example: Maria uses a variety of bowing **techniques** when playing her violin.

Ask: What are some **techniques** you use to help you study?

archaeologist

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fragments

Define: An **archaeologist** is a person who digs up and studies remains of ancient towns and cities.

Example: An **archaeologist** examines ancient objects for clues about early cultures.

Ask: What early culture would you investigate if you were an **archaeologist?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **era** is a period of time or history.

Example: The people sitting for the photograph wore clothes from an earlier **era**.

Ask: If you could time-travel to another **era**, which would you choose?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Fragments are small, broken pieces.

Example: The dropped pottery vase was in **fragments** on the floor.

Ask: What fragments of objects have you found?

historian

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intact

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preserved

Define: A **historian** is a person who knows a great deal about history.

Example: A good **historian** finds interesting stories by studying past objects and events.

Ask: What would a future **historian** tell about the time you live in?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **intact** is whole or complete.

Example: Cardboard cartons help protect eggs so they arrive at the store whole and **intact.**

Ask: What would you like to find **intact** after a storm or flood?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **preserved** is protected so that it does not decay or get damaged.

Example: Foods from our garden have been **preserved** in jars for enjoying all year.

Ask: Which of your possessions would you want **preserved** in a time capsule?

reconstruct

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remnants

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commenced

Define: When you **reconstruct** something, you put its parts back together.

Example: A skilled craftsman can **reconstruct** broken china so that it looks like new.

Ask: What famous place would you like to **reconstruct** as a model?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Remnants are small pieces or parts of something that are left over.

Example: Divers discovered the **remnants** of a sunken ship.

Ask: What could someone learn from the **remnants** of a meal?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **commenced** doing your homework, you started doing it.

Example: The horse race **commenced** on time and ended only three minutes later!

Ask: What is an antonym for commenced?

deeds

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exaggeration

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heroic

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Define: Deeds are acts or actions.

Example: Doing good **deeds** for others can make us feel useful and happy.

Ask: What good **deeds** might you do to help a neighbor?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **exaggeration** is a statement that makes something seem more than it really is.

Example: Dad's description of the giant fish must be an **exaggeration** since the fish in this lake are not that big.

Ask: How is an **exaggeration** like a lie?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **heroic** act is a very brave or courageous act.

Example: The **heroic** acts of firefighters help save lives.

Ask: What **heroic** acts do police officers perform?

impress

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sauntered

Define: If you **impress** someone, you have a strong effect on his or her mind or feelings.

Example: Carolina hoped to **impress** the class with her amazing science project.

Ask: What might an athlete do to **impress** a coach?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **posed** for a picture, you held a position so that someone could paint or photograph you.

Example: The family members stood very still as they **posed** for photographs.

Ask: Why do you think they stood still as they **posed?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **sauntered**, you walked in a slow, relaxed way.

Example: We all enjoyed the sights as we slowly **sauntered** through the park.

Ask: What is a synonym for **sauntered?**

wring

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astounded

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concealed

Define: To wring out a wet rag, you squeeze it or twist it.

Example: After soaking a wash rag, **wring** it out to remove excess water.

Ask: When might you have to wring a towel?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you are **astounded**, you are amazed and surprised.

Example: Jada was **astounded** by her high score on the computer game.

Ask: What experiences have astounded you?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When she **concealed** her diary, she put it out of sight.

Example: The mask **concealed** the identity of the mysterious superhero.

Ask: What other ways have people **concealed** their identities?

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inquisitive

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interpret

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perplexed

Define: If you are **inquisitive**, you are curious.

Example: Our new pet goldfish caused our cat to become **inquisitive.**

Ask: How else might an **inquisitive** person find things out?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **interpret** a difficult paragraph, you explain its meaning and make it easier to understand.

Example: My sister is taking a class to learn to use and **interpret** sign language.

Ask: When might someone **interpret** for you?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **perplexed**, you are confused.

Example: The complicated math problem **perplexed** Joshua for many hours.

Ask: What problems or puzzles have **perplexed** you the most?



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reconsider

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suspicious

Define: When you make a **precise** cut with the scissors, you make an exact or accurate cut.

Example: The nurse made a **precise** measurement of June's height.

Ask: What other tasks require someone to be precise?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **reconsider**, you think about something again.

Example: After Cara placed her chess piece, Greta had to **reconsider** her next move.

Ask: What else might make you reconsider a choice?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **suspicious**, you think that someone or something is wrong or can't be trusted.

Example: Fluffy's owner grew **suspicious** when he saw paw prints leading to the chair.

Ask: What behavior might make you **suspicious** of something?

anticipation

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entitled

Define: Anticipation is the act of expecting something to happen.

Example: The goalie waited with **anticipation** as the ball came toward her.

Ask: Describe something that you have waited for with **anticipation.**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **defy** a rule, you refuse to obey it.

Example: If you **defy** a driving rule, a police officer may give you a ticket.

Ask: Why might someone defy a rule or law?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **entitled**, you qualify or have the right to do something.

Example: The library card **entitled** Matt to check out a book.

Ask: What phrase has the same meaning as **entitled?**

neutral

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outspoken

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reserved

Define: A person who is **neutral** does not support or agree with either side of an argument.

Example: An umpire must stay **neutral** when making a call on a play.

Ask: Why must an umpire or referee stay **neutral** during a game?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **outspoken** person is honest and says what he or she thinks.

Example: Henry and Jake are **outspoken** about protecting the environment.

Ask: What word has the opposite meaning of **outspoken?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something is **reserved**, it is saved for a purpose or a special person.

Example: Parking lots keep spaces **reserved** for handicapped parking.

Ask: What other kinds of things can be **reserved?**

sought

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unequal

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absorb

Define: If he **sought** the lost treasure, he went looking for it.

Example: Josie's group **sought** the latest team rankings in the sports section.

Ask: Name something that you **sought** and were able to find.

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Things that are **unequal** are not the same.

Example: The number of players on the tug-of-war teams was **unequal.**

Ask: If two teams are **unequal**, what might the game be like?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: We used sponges to absorb, or soak up, the water.

Example: A sponge will **absorb**, or soak up, the spilled coffee.

Ask: What else will absorb the liquid?

affect

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circulates

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conserve

Define: Strong winds **affect**, or influence, how fast a boat sails.

Example: Adding honey will **affect** the sweetness of the cereal.

Ask: How will adding salt **affect** a food?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When something **circulates**, it moves in a circular path.

Example: Blood **circulates** from the heart through the body and back to the heart.

Ask: What else do you know that **circulates?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **conserve** something, you keep it from harm, loss, or change.

Example: I **conserve** energy by turning off lights when I leave a room.

Ask: What is an antonym for **conserve?**



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glaciers

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Define: A **cycle** is a series of events that happen over and over in the same order.

Example: When the dryer completes its **cycle**, I will remove the clothes.

Ask: What other kinds of **cycles** can you think of?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Glaciers are large masses of ice found in cold regions or on top of high mountains.

Example: Huge **glaciers** made of thick ice can be found in freezing waters.

Ask: What would happen if the **glaciers** melted?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **necessity** is something that is needed or required.

Example: A guide dog or cane is a **necessity** to help visually-impaired people cross a street.

Ask: What other tools are a **necessity** for helping deaf people communicate?



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barren

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expression

Define: When a liquid **seeps**, it flows or spreads slowly.

Example: The latex from the rubber tree **seeps**, or flows, slowly into a bucket.

Ask: If water **seeps** up from the ground, how quickly will it spread?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **barren** is lifeless and not able to grow anything.

Example: We traveled across **barren** land without seeing a single tree or bush.

Ask: What is another word or phrase for **barren?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Expression is putting thoughts or feelings into words or actions.

Example: James wrote songs as an **expression** of his beliefs about friendship.

Ask: Name another form of artistic expression.

meaningful

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plumes

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disdain

Define: Something **meaningful** has importance or a purpose.

Example: The students had a **meaningful** discussion about how to protect the environment.

Ask: What **meaningful** discussions have you had?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Plumes are big, fluffy feathers or feathery parts.

Example: Each year, peacocks shed their beautiful tail **plumes** and grow new ones.

Ask: What beautiful plumes have you seen?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Disdain is a feeling of dislike for someone or something you think is unworthy.

Example: Rebecca likes to eat many vegetables, but she always shows **disdain** for broccoli.

Ask: What is a synonym for **disdain?**

focused

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genius

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perspective

Define: A **focused** person is able to concentrate on one thing.

Example: Ellie pays attention and stays **focused** during class discussions.

Ask: What is an antonym for **focused?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **genius** is an extremely intelligent or talented person.

Example: My sister is a **genius** when it comes to fixing computer problems.

Ask: How might a mechanical genius help other people?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Your **perspective** is your point of view, or the way you see things.

Example: Binoculars gave Kyle a closer **perspective** of the boat in the harbor.

Ask: How does a telescope affect your **perspective** of the moon?

prospect

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stunned

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superb

Define: A **prospect** is something you look forward to or expect.

Example: Gillian was happy at the **prospect** of traveling to Paris next year.

Ask: Why might the **prospect** of moving be both exciting and scary?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **stunned**, you are shocked and confused.

Example: Luis was **stunned** by the unexpected test grade.

Ask: What kinds of events have stunned you?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **superb** is excellent.

Example: The cooking teacher praised his student for the **superb** dish.

Ask: What is a synonym for **superb?**

transition

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assume

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guarantee

Define: A **transition** is a change from one form, condition, or activity, to another.

Example: Max was afraid to make the **transition** from walking to riding a bus to school.

Ask: How might you prepare a young child for this **transition?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **assume** something, you take it for granted, or suppose it is so.

Example: Caitlyn could only **assume** the cat broke the flower pot.

Ask: What might you **assume** if you awaken to snow on a school day?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: To **guarantee** is to make sure or certain of something.

Example: With such dark clouds approaching, Henrik can **guarantee** that it will rain soon.

Ask: When else might you **guarantee** something?

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nominate

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obviously

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Define: If you **nominate** someone, you suggest or propose that the person be chosen, such as a candidate for an office.

Example: The team will **nominate** the best candidates to run for class president.

Ask: Why might you **nominate** a particular person for a task or position?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something is done **obviously**, it is easily seen or understood.

Example: The hand-knitted scarf was **obviously** too long for Marta's little brother.

Ask: What kinds of clothes are **obviously** wrong for a cold day?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: To **rely** is to trust or depend on someone or something.

Example: To make a basket, Calvin must **rely** on the skills his coaches taught him.

Ask: When have you had to **rely** on someone else?

supportive

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sympathy

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weakling

Define: When you are **supportive**, you provide approval, aid, or encouragement to others.

Example: The audience's **supportive** applause boosted Clare's energy.

Ask: In what other ways can you be **supportive** of a performer on stage?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you feel **sympathy** toward someone, you feel and understand their troubles.

Example: Erik's dad offered **sympathy** when his team lost the game.

Ask: When else might you express sympathy to someone?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **weakling** is a person who lacks physical strength.

Example: Being tired and ill in bed made Emily feel like a **weakling.**

Ask: At what other times might you feel like a **weakling?**

atmosphere

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gradual

Define: The **atmosphere** is the layer of gases around Earth.

Example: Clouds form in our **atmosphere**, the layer of gases around Earth.

Ask: Why is the Earth's **atmosphere** important?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something **decays**, it rots.

Example: When fruit **decays**, or rots, it is not very tasty and should not be eaten.

Ask: What does a banana look like as it decays?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When a change is **gradual**, it happens slowly.

Example: The release of sand in an hourglass is **gradual**, so that it takes one hour.

Ask: What is a gradual event or change you have seen?

impact

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noticeably

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receding

Define: Something that has an **impact** has a strong effect.

Example: A veterinarian has a big **impact** on the health of a pet.

Ask: Who has had an important **impact** on your life?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If a plant has grown **noticeably**, it is easy to see that it has gotten bigger.

Example: José's hair was **noticeably** shorter after his haircut.

Ask: What is a synonym for **noticeably?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When something is **receding**, it is moving back or away.

Example: As I drove away, the mountain seemed to be **receding** in the distance.

Ask: If it was **receding**, was it getting close?

stability

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variations

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approximately

Define: If something has **stability**, it is solid, steady, and doesn't change much.

Example: While his sprained leg healed, Stephan used crutches for **stability** when walking.

Ask: If a thing has **stability**, is it shaky or steady?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: A **variation** is the amount that something changes, such as a variation in the temperature.

Example: In the valley, there are many **variations** in the color green.

Ask: Where might you see **variations** in the color blue?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If two things are **approximately** the same size, they are nearly or about the same size.

Example: The recipe called for **approximately** two cups of oil, so I did not measure exactly.

Ask: What is an antonym for **approximately?**

astronomical

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calculation

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criteria

Define: Something **astronomical** relates to outer space or astronomy.

Example: The space exhibit included amazing **astronomical** instruments to study stars.

Ask: Besides stars, what are **astronomical** instruments used to study?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you make a **calculation**, you do math to find an answer.

Example: Mina did a quick **calculation** to figure out if she had enough money for six tickets.

Ask: What kinds of skills help with a **calculation?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Criteria are rules for judging something or making a decision.

Example: Blood pressure is one of the **criteria** doctors use for evaluating your health.

Ask: What other **criteria** help doctors to check your health?

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diameter

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evaluate

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orbit

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Define: You can measure across the center of a circle to find its **diameter.**

Example: The large pizza pan has a **diameter** of fourteen inches.

Ask: How would you measure the **diameter** of a pan?

Vocabulary Routine

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Define: When you **evaluate** something, you examine it closely to decide its value.

Example: Reading food labels can help you **evaluate** the nutritional value.

Ask: What questions might help you **evaluate** a restaurant?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An object that **orbits** something circles around it again and again.

Example: It takes a year for the Earth to **orbit** the sun, and a month for the moon to orbit the Earth.

Ask: What objects in space **orbit** the sun?

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spheres

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agricultural

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declined

Define: A **sphere** is anything that is shaped like a ball or globe.

Example: Basketballs, soccer balls, and baseballs are **spheres**, but footballs are not.

Ask: What other objects are spheres?

Vocabulary Routine

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Define: Something that is **agricultural** has to do with farms or farming.

Example: Sam and Gina gathered apples and other **agricultural** products for the market.

Ask: How do **agricultural** products make a difference in your life?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something **declined**, it grew weaker or smaller in number.

Example: Because many businesses closed, the town had clearly **declined** over the years.

Ask: What actions can a restaurant take when its profits have **declined?**

disorder

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identify

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probable

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Define: A disorder is a sickness or ailment.

Example: The veterinarian examined the cow for a stomach **disorder.**

Ask: What kind of medical **disorder** might keep you home from school?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you can **identify** something, you can tell exactly what it is.

Example: People are able to **identify** my dog not only by his dog tag, but by his smile.

Ask: How would you **identify** your best friend in a crowd?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **probable** is likely to happen or be true.

Example: The **probable** cause of the shattered window was Jake and his soccer ball.

Ask: What type of weather is most **probable** in the winter where you live?

thrive

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unexpected

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widespread

Define: If crops **thrive**, they are successful and strong.

Example: Some plants manage to grow and **thrive** even in snow.

Ask: What would you do to help a pet thrive?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something **unexpected** is not planned for or predicted.

Example: As the wildebeests drank at the river, the crocodile's arrival was **unexpected.**

Ask: How might an **unexpected** event change your plans?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something is **widespread**, it is happening over a large area or affecting many people.

Example: Starlings, introduced from England, are now a **widespread** bird species.

Ask: What is a good example of a **widespread** fad?

bulletin

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contributions

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Define: A **bulletin** is a short announcement of the latest news.

Example: Kip posted a **bulletin** in the neighborhood about his missing dog.

Ask: Why else might you post a **bulletin?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Contributions are gifts of money, time, or effort given to a cause.

Example: The school art exhibit will feature **contributions** from many student artists.

Ask: What other events rely on **contributions** from others?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Diversity is a great difference or variety.

Example: There was a great **diversity** of breeds at the dog show.

Ask: Where else might you see a wide **diversity** of animals?

enlisted

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intercept

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operations

Define: If people **enlisted**, they joined the armed forces of their own free will.

Example: Citizens who have **enlisted** in the army are sworn in before training begins.

Ask: Why have people **enlisted** for military duty?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you **intercept** something, you stop it from moving from one place to another.

Example: I jumped up to **intercept** the pass and prevent a touchdown by the other team.

Ask: In what other sports might you **intercept** a ball?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Operations are plans or processes for doing something.

Example: The crew of workers began **operations** to clean up after the disaster.

Ask: What other **operations** might help in a disaster?

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recruits

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survival

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abruptly

Define: Recruits are new members of the armed forces.

Example: The officer addressed the **recruits** as they prepared for training.

Ask: What kinds of services look for new recruits?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Survival is the act of continuing to live.

Example: A first aid kit, a blanket, and water are important for **survival** in an emergency.

Ask: What other items are important for **survival** in an emergency?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something ends **abruptly**, it stops suddenly without warning.

Example: Playing in the park ended **abruptly** because of a sudden rainstorm.

Ask: What else might cause an activity to end **abruptly?**



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collided

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confident

Define: An **ally** is a person or nation on the same side during a conflict.

Example: My little brother says that a dog is the best **ally**, even for a superhero.

Ask: When might an **ally** be important?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If the bikes **collided**, they hit or crashed against each other.

Example: The players **collided** on the field, and both fell down.

Ask: What could happen if two cars **collided?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you are **confident**, you have a strong belief in your abilities.

Example: The more you practice a song before a concert, the more **confident** you will feel.

Ask: How might practicing a lot make you feel more **confident?**

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conflict

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intervene

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protective

Define: A **conflict** is a strong disagreement.

Example: To resolve their **conflict** over who would use the remote control, the sisters finally agreed to take turns.

Ask: What else can cause a conflict?

Vocabulary Routine

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Define: When you **intervene**, you get involved in a disagreement to help solve it.

Example: When the referee saw the players arguing, he had to **intervene** to stop them.

Ask: When else might a person need to intervene?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Something that is **protective** helps keep you safe.

Example: Every bicycle rider should always wear a **protective** helmet.

Ask: How is an umbrella protective?

taunting

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adaptation

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Define: Taunting is teasing, or making fun of someone or something.

Example: Outside the window, a squirrel seemed to be **taunting** my cat.

Ask: When have you seen people **taunting** other people?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **adaptation** is a change in a plant or animal that helps it survive.

Example: Changing color is an **adaptation** some lizards have made to their environment.

Ask: How is fur an example of an **adaptation?**

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **agile**, you are able to move and react quickly and easily.

Example: Kim was such an **agile** gymnast, she could do a back bend on a balance beam.

Ask: Why should athletes be agile?

cache

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dormant

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Define: If you **cache** something, you hide or store it in a hiding place.

Example: My parents **cache** jewelry and other treasures in an old wooden chest.

Ask: Where else might people **cache** special things?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something is **dormant**, it is sleeping or not active.

Example: The guide explained that the volcano was **dormant**, so we felt safe standing near it.

Ask: Why is it safe to visit a **dormant** volcano?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When animals **forage**, they hunt or search for food.

Example: When winter comes, elk, deer and other animals often have to **forage** for food.

Ask: Why is it hard to **forage** for food during winter?

frigid

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hibernate

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insulates

Define: If the temperature is **frigid**, it is very cold.

Example: We drank a hot beverage to warm up after being outside on that **frigid** day.

Ask: Do you usually wear shorts in frigid weather?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When animals **hibernate**, they spend the winter sleeping.

Example: Some animals, such as the dormouse, **hibernate** in some way during the winter.

Ask: Why do some animals hibernate in the winter?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An animal's fur **insulates,** or keeps the animal warm.

Example: My coat **insulates** my body against the cold.

Ask: What kind of coat insulates a cat?



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glistening

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influence

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Define: To **export** an item is to sell or trade it to another country.

Example: Ships transport many goods made for **export** overseas.

Ask: What goods might be produced for **export** to other countries?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When something is **glistening**, it is shining.

Example: The **glistening** wrapping paper made the gift look really special.

Ask: What other materials create a glistening effect?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When you **influence** people, you try to change or affect their thoughts or behavior.

Example: Mrs. Garcia pointed out information that could **influence** Anna's voting decision.

Ask: Who might **influence** your decisions each day?

landscape

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native

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plantations

Define: A **landscape** is a region's landforms or a stretch of land that can be seen from a place.

Example: From our cabin, we see a **landscape** of mountains, trees, and a clear blue lake.

Ask: What **landscapes** would you like to visit?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: When someone is **native** to a place, they were born there.

Example: Penguins are **native** to Antarctica.

Ask: What animals are **native** to your state or area?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: Plantations are large farms.

Example: Flying over the land, we had a view of farms and **plantations** below.

Ask: What kinds of things are grown on **plantations?**

restore

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urged

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blares

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Define: To **restore** is to bring something back to its original form or condition.

Example: The upholsterer worked to **restore** the antique chair to its original condition.

Ask: What else might you restore by repairing?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If you are **urged** to do your chores, you are strongly encouraged or persuaded to do them.

Example: My mom **urged** my baby brother to eat his food.

Ask: What kinds of foods are growing children **urged** to eat?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: If something **blares**, it makes a loud, harsh sound.

Example: When a trumpet or other loud instrument **blares**, Frankie covers his ears.

Ask: What might be the reason why a car horn blares?

connection

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errand

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Define: A **connection** is a relationship or bond with someone or something.

Example: Ron feels a strong **connection** to the players on his soccer team.

Ask: How would you establish a **connection** with a new friend?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **errand** is a short trip to do or get something.

Example: My mom sent me on an **errand** to the cereal aisle of the grocery store.

Ask: What errand would you do for a relative?

Vocabulary Routine

Define: An **exchange** is giving one thing for another.

Example: Milo and his friends were paid ten dollars in **exchange** for shoveling snow.

Ask: What favor might you do in **exchange** for free movie tickets?