

Unit #1

1. facetious (adj) – humorous; playfully joking
2. ostentatious (adj) – meant to impress others; flashy
3. optimum (adj) – best possible; most favorable; most desirable
4. detriment (n) – something that causes damage, harm, or loss
5. vicarious (adj) – experienced through the imagination; not experienced directly
6. dexterous (adj) – skillful in using the hands or body
7. scrupulous (adj) – careful about moral standards; conscientious
8. gregarious (adj) – sociable; enjoying and seeking the company of others
9. discretion (n) – good judgment or tact in actions or speaking
10. sensory (adj) – having to do with seeing, hearing, feeling, tasting, or smelling

Unit #2

1. instigate (v) – to bring about by moving others to action; stir up
2. rudimentary (adj) – fundamental; necessary to learn first
3. resilient (adj) – able to recover quickly from harm, illness, or misfortune
4. collaborate (v) – to work together on a project; cooperate in an effort
5. zealot (n) – a person totally devoted to a purpose or cause
6. squelch (v) – to silence or suppress or crush
7. venerate (v) – to respect deeply; to revere
8. despondent (adj) – downhearted; hopeless; overwhelmed with sadness
9. (in) retrospect (n) – reviewing the past; considering past events
10. scoff (v) – to make fun of; mock; to refuse to take seriously

Unit #3

1. juxtapose (v) – to place close together, especially in order to compare or contrast
2. lethargy (n) – a great lack of energy; inactivity due to laziness
3. ambiguous (adj) – able to be interpreted in more than one way; not clear
4. inane (adj) – without sense or meaning; foolish
5. dissident (n) – a person opposed to established ideas or beliefs, especially in politics or religion
6. embellish (v) – to decorate; beautify by adding details
7. subsidize (v) – to support financially; provide a grant or contribution
8. squander (v) – to spend or use wastefully or thoughtfully
9. inadvertent (adj) – unintentional; accidental
10. sporadic (adj) – happening now and then; occasional

Unit #4

1. relinquish (v) – to surrender (something); to give (something) up
2. impetuous (adj) – done or acting in a hurry, with little thought; impulsive
3. maudlin (adj) – tearfully sentimental; overemotional
4. berate (v) – to criticize or scold harshly
5. ubiquitous (adj) – existing or seeming to exist everywhere at the same time
6. zenith (n) – the highest point or condition; peak
7. estrange (v) – to make unsympathetic or unfriendly; alienate
8. infallible (adj) – not capable of error or failure; unable to make a mistake
9. euphoric (adj) – overjoyed; having an intense feeling of well-being
10. regress (v) – to return to an earlier, generally worse, condition or behavior

Unit #5

1. dormant (adj) – inactive; alive, but not actively growing, as if asleep
2. disseminate (v) – to spread or scatter widely; distribute
3. irrevocable (adj) – not able to be canceled or undone; irreversible
4. proliferation (n) – a rapid spread or increase
5. corroborate (v) – to support; to strengthen with further evidence; provide proof of
6. precipitate (v) – to cause to happen quickly, suddenly, or sooner than expected
7. hoist (v) – to lift, especially with some mechanical means, like a cable
8. charlatan (n) – a fake; a person who falsely claims to have some special skill or knowledge
9. diverge (v) – to branch off in different directions from the same starting point; to become different
10. illicit (adj) – illegal

Unit #6

1. vit, viv = life, lively
2. extra - = outside, beyond
3. chron-, chrono- = time
4. liber, liver = free, freedom
5. de- = away, separation, removal
6. ante-, anti- = before, preceding
7. voc, vok = voice, call
8. dorm = sleep
9. -ject = throw, toss
10. -cide = kill, killing, killer