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CHAPTER 1

- 1. The jury had to **absolve** the defendant of the murder.
- 2. Ron is **adamant** about not changing plans.
- 3. My amiable dog greets strangers.
- 4. Tom is almost totally **amoral**.
- 5. I never realized she felt such animosity.
- 6. The two boxers were **antagonists**.
- 7. Bruce had the **eccentric** habit of carrying a pet owl.
- 8. My **encounter** surprised me.
- 9. The **epitome** of cuteness is a furry puppy.
- 10. That reporter often maligns politicians.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. Give polite, full answers, not **curt** responses.
- 2. Dave was **demoralized** after the difficult test.
- 3. The store manager faced a **dilemma**.
- 4. My **inclination** is to major in nursing.
- 5. Sue is always **irate** about something.
- 6. "Thanks for wasting my time," retorted the salesman.
- 7. Terrorist groups sabotage public places.
- 8. My **subsequent** jobs gave me good opportunities.
- 9. Be wary of promises of getting something for nothing.
- 10. Joe attacked his food with **zeal**.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. A clean, safe subway system deserves acclaim.
- 2. Put your dishes in a cupboard that's **adjacent** to the sink.
- 3. The final basket **elicited** a roar of delight.
- 4. The suspenseful book engrossed Matt.
- 5. We need to **escalate** our fund-raising efforts.
- 6. The teacher's son refused to **exploit** his status.
- 7. Barb is **methodical** about her homework.
- 8. The automobile made horse and carriage **obsolete**.
- 9. Crumbs on the floor were **tangible** evidence.
- 10. The referee should have **terminated** the match.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. A vicious dog is a **deterrent** to burglars.
- 2. The **implication** was that nobody was leaving.
- 3. The company was accused of creating an **inequity**.
- 4. Rick doesn't let his infirmity keep him at home.
- 5. No one is allowed to **infringe** on mom's quiet time.
- 6. Sliced bread was once an exciting **innovation**.
- 7. A brief nap **revitalizes** him for a productive evening.
- 8. High on the mountain, the trees become **sparse**.
- 9. Mary is a **subjective** judge of her son's abilities.
- 10. Text messages are usually **succinct**.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. He made only an **allusion** to marriage.
- 2. When an enemy approaches, squirrels become altruistic.
- 3. Nothing I could say or do would **appease** her.
- 4. Arbitrary discipline confuses children.
- 5. The storm **assailed** us with hail and heavy rain.
- 6. "Nice to see you" may be a **banal** comment.
- 7. "Final resting place" is a common **euphemism**.
- 8. He married the rich lady for **mercenary** reasons.
- 9. Jet lag is a **syndrome** from flying long distances.
- 10. The scandal **tainted** the reputations of everyone involved.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Our town is having a **bicentennial** parade.
- 2. The sound system in the **auditorium** is adequate.
- 3. A **cyclone** travels in a circular motion.
- 4. When children reach adulthood, they should be mature.
- 5. Tina is **hypersensitive** to conflict.
- 6. One cannot **easily** drown in Utah's Great Salt Lake.
- 7. The story was supposed to be **nonfiction**.
- 8. Ben's reaction to Joe's injury was **empathy**.
- 9. Watching the **pendulum** of a grandfather clock makes me sleepy.
- 10. The ad said I would **quadruple** my money in two months.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. The survivors gradually rebuilt their homes after the **calamity**.
- 2. The company's **comprehensive** plan covers most emergencies.
- 3. Two **conventional** gifts are roses and chocolates.
- 4. Bill wore jeans to the party in **flagrant** disregard to the bride's wishes.
- 5. Desert temperatures can **fluctuate** greatly.
- 6. We have to persevere and finish this project.
- 7. We often don't take time to **ponder** the consequences of our actions.
- 8. He participated in a program that **rehabilitates** stroke victims.
- 9. The class was in **turmoil** until the teacher entered.
- 10. I will **venture** to say what I think at the next meeting.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Witnesses attest to the beauty of the Golden Gate Bridge.
- 2. Some cars have computerized attributes.
- 3. An experienced jeweler can **discern** a genuine diamond.
- 4. His boss often **dispatches** him to the deli.
- 5. His haircut **enhanced** his appearance.
- 6. The robbery remained an enigma.
- 7. Mr. Smith **exemplifies** the best in teaching.
- 8. A hospital volunteer wheeled a **mobile** library into my room.
- 9. My brother regularly enjoys **nocturnal** feasts.
- 10. I looked at a street sign to **orient** myself.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. I mistakenly registered for two **concurrent** classes.
- 2. Dad **confiscated** our supply of water balloons.
- 3. Twelve people **constitute** that board of directors.
- 4. If a teacher can't **decipher** your writing, type your work.
- 5. If you **default** on your car payments, you will lose your car.
- 6. He enjoyed imagining **hypothetical** situations.
- 7. The registration fee for the class was **nominal**.
- 8. The **predominant** color was purple.
- 9. Spanish 1 is a prerequisite for Spanish 2.
- 10. The store laid off twenty workers during the **recession**.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. The old man's condition began to **degenerate**.
- 2. Insurance companies hear **implausible** excuses.
- 3. Joe becomes **incoherent** when he's tired.
- 4. Bill interceded for his sister.
- 5. It's amazing to see intricate gold and silver jewelry.
- 6. Old trains are a **sanctuary** for some of the homeless.
- 7. The book came under the **scrutiny** of a proofreader.
- 8. The scientist was caught up in a **sinister** scheme.
- 9. The amount of research will **suffice** for this paper.
- 10. The elderly are **vulnerable** to fractures.

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- 1. Eva is a **blatant** bargain hunter.
- 2. TV can be a **blight** that dulls the mind.
- 3. Jill plans to **contrive** a way to stay up late tonight.
- 4. The new reporter **garbled** the newspaper story.
- 5. A beard can make a **gaunt** face look fuller.
- 6. Mark's sister tattles on him and then gloats.
- 7. The child's clothing was **immaculate** before the party.
- 8. Using an author's words as one's own is plagiarism.
- 9. After hiding Sue's bike, I began to have qualms.
- 10. The rebels **retaliated** by bombing the command station.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. Some students are easily **motivated** to learn.
- 2. **Biology** is the study of living things.
- 3. The **exclamation** point emphasizes outcries.
- 4. The **finale** of the fireworks display was spectacular.
- 5. Gymnasts must be extremely **flexible**.
- 6. The burglar **forcibly** entered the home.
- 7. We have done all that is **humanly** possible.
- 8. The soldiers' **patriotism** was unquestionable.
- 9. I use **semisweet** chocolate in my frosting.
- 10. The children tried walking to school backward.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. I need to **curtail** my volunteer activities.
- 2. Andy was **devastated** to hear he had cancer.
- 3. Professor Jones never **digresses** during a lecture.
- 4. The insurance company offers an **incentive**.
- 5. Jerry **incorporated** all of his favorite desserts into one.
- 6. A car is **indispensable** in my neighborhood.
- 7. Intermittent practice won't work.
- 8. Marines must go through the **rigors** of boot camp.
- 9. It's sad to see a student **squander** his talent.
- 10. The suspect quickly **succumbed** and confessed to the theft.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. The players **alleviated** their thirst with lemonade.
- 2. The wealthy **benefactor** paid for the new park.
- 3. If you enjoy **covert** activities, become a secret agent.
- 4. Mr. Hall was a **cynic** about people before his accident.
- 5. A very long beard once caused a man's demise.
- 6. King Henry VIII of England was **infamous** throughout Europe.
- 7. Trust is **intrinsic** to any good friendship.
- 8. I am filled with **revulsion** when I remember his exploits.
- 9. It's interested to **speculate** how history might have been different.
- 10. Some men try to prove they are **virile** by being overly aggressive.

CHAPTER 15

- 1. Sue doesn't **abstain** completely from chocolate.
- 2. She isn't affiliated with a political party.
- 3. An agnostic believes we can't know for sure if there is a God.
- 4. Many young people **aspire** to be professional athletes.
- 5. The Salvation Army is a **benevolent** association.
- 6. Our club has a huge budget deficit.
- 7. The committee was torn by **dissent**.
- 8. Joe's favorite **diversion** is reading.
- 9. Investments in the stock market can be **lucrative**.
- 10. The research paper was mandatory.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. Princess Diana had great **charisma**.
- 2. Beth likes contemporary furniture.
- 3. Scientists contend no two snowflakes are identical.
- 4. Ron eats to live; **conversely**, Nate lives to eat.
- 5. Not all performers are extroverts.
- 6. I cried when I read a **poignant** story.
- 7. Unemployment is **prevalent** today.
- 8. I voted for a **proponent** of smaller government.
- 9. Ponce de Leon's quest was for the Fountain of Youth.
- 10. Being in an accident can be a **traumatic** experience.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. The new employee was genuinely congenial.
- 2. Don't give me a **flippant** answer.
- 3. The jurors had reached an impasse.
- 4. Our **perceptions** of our problems differ.
- 5. Fast-food clerks **prompt** customers to spend more money.
- 6. Mr. Walker is prone to sleep problems.
- 7. I had good **rapport** with the English teacher.
- 8. Dan's **rationale** for majoring in business was simple.
- 9. The dog's **relentless** barking was annoying.
- 10. Fear of **reprisal** plaqued the workers.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. I felt welcomed by my cordial hosts.
- 2. I always duplicate important papers.
- 3. **Wisdom** is what we gain when we learn from our mistakes.
- 4. First, **liquefy** the ice cream over heat.
- 5. Ann was the most **stylish** girl.
- 6. It is **illegal** to park next to a fire hydrant.
- 7. My grandmother uses a magnifying glass.
- 8. Tom suffers from claustrophobia; he doesn't like elevators.
- Proceed to the end of the hallway.
- 10. A **psychoactive** drug affects mental processes.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. The **benign** expression on her face told me not to worry.
- 2. I will never become blasé about baseball.
- 3. Saliva **comprises** about sixty ingredients.
- 4. Bill would not **condescend** to making coffee.
- 5. The **facade** of the old store was cleaned this summer.
- 6. The **glib** politician smoothly talked his way to reelection.
- 7. Their haughty manner made them unpopular.
- 8. The man sued the newspaper for **libel** after it published lies.
- 9. Bev used a **pseudonym** for her stories.
- 10. The teacher did not accept redundant writing.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. Tom is averse to artichokes; seeing one makes him gag.
- 2. The litter in the park certainly detracts.
- 3. The taxi driver treated the foreigner with disdain.
- 4. My father wouldn't **divulge** where we were going for dinner.
- 5. Roy expected to feel **elation** at his graduation, not sadness.
- 6. The author was **endowed** with a sense of humor.
- 7. Expulsion from school was the next step.
- 8. The singer was mortified when his voice cracked.
- 9. The company decided to **nullify** its contract with the athlete.
- 10. The sore's failure to heal was ominous.

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- 1. Some jurors found the witness's testimony **credible**.
- 2. Most people just do a **cursory** job of brushing their teeth.
- 3. The manager was **designated** to plan the banquet.
- 4. We had to **deviate** somewhat from our plans.
- 5. Jill can **improvise** accompaniments on the piano.
- 6. The **interim** manager was arbitrary.
- 7. After retirement, Joe discovered his latent artistic talent.
- 8. The priest denied himself most **secular** pleasures.
- 9. The Amish **shun** automobiles and electric lights.
- 10. The tan plastic table **simulates** oak.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. The memorial **commemorates** the sacrifices the soldiers made.
- 2. Earning good grades hasn't made lvy **complacent**.
- 3. The family **consensus** was to go camping.
- 4. Car repairs have **depleted** my bank account.
- 5. I wish I had been more **diligent** about practicing.
- 6. Dr. Smith is brilliant, but he lacks **empathy** for his students.
- 7. Even menial tasks can be performed with care.
- 8. Don decided his **niche** was business management.
- 9. Many believe Shakespeare's works transcend those of other authors. 9. Studying history for three hours saturated my brain.
- 10. The defendant waived his right to an attorney.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. Bill's outfits seem bizarre.
- 2. A warm April day is **conducive** to spring fever.
- 3. Sue **faltered** on the first few notes of her piano piece.
- 4. Jane never flaunted her high grades.
- 5. Grace went into a frenzy when she couldn't find her purse.
- 6. We asked Alex to skip the details and get right to the gist of the book. 6. Mosses can live in a variety of humid habitats.
- 7. A series of computer crashes **hampered** business.
- 8. "No decision is also a decision," is an example of a **paradox**.
- 9. The musician's **repertoire** included many famous pieces.
- 10. That is not a **viable** solution.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. A small starlike figure is called an asterisk.
- 2. **Contrary** to his campaign promise, the governor is raising taxes.
- 3. The young **singer** forgot the words.
- 4. **Polygamy** is practiced in some cultures.
- 5. The **geographic** center of North America is in North Dakota.
- 6. The telephone caller **misrepresented** herself.
- 7. Only God is omnipotent.
- 8. In 1770 the United States was not very **populous**.
- 9. The **director** keeps everything running smoothly.
- 10. **Monotheism** is the belief that there is only one God.

CHAPTER 25

- 1. Sometimes Carl is **devoid** of common sense.
- 2. The princess **implored** the knight to save her.
- 3. The rude driver **infuriated** the other motorists.
- 4. Public speaking intimidates many people.
- 5. An **introvert** prefers not to socialize.
- 6. Molly is so clumsy she **jeopardizes** every fragile item she touches.
- 7. How many **siblings** do you have?
- 8. Being **smug** is carrying self-confidence too far.
- 9. The disrespectful student **sneered** at his classmate.
- 10. My aunt is a vivacious hostess.

CHAPTER 26

- 1. I cannot **condone** his behavior.
- 2. Ben contemplated working a second job.
- 3. It isn't **feasible** to work full time and attend college.
- 4. Tom Sawyer feigned illness.
- 5. The shop closed because of **fiscal** problems.
- 6. The guard noticed the **furtive** movement of the thief's hand.
- 7. Everyone stopped to **gape** at the odd-looking sculpture.
- 8. That plumber's work was pathetic.
- 9. The lawyer looked for a **precedent** among similar cases.
- 10. Judge Smith is especially **punitive** with drunken drivers.

CHAPTER 27

- 1. The second clue was a **cryptic** note.
- 2. A person can be intelligent but **deficient** in common sense.
- 3. The painting **depicts** a storm at sea.
- 4. Eating too much sugar can be **detrimental** to your health.
- 5. Joe understood the **implicit** threat.
- 6. Becky had no **inhibitions** about coming to class barefoot.
- 7. Mark enjoyed a short story with an **ironic** twist.
- 8. The dam was about to rupture.
- 10. The **vindictive** employee emailed a computer virus.

CHAPTER 28

- 1. The highway construction will **constrict** traffic.
- 2. My teacher recommended an **exhaustive** biography.
- 3. We are all fallible.
- 4. The author first **formulated** an outline of his plot.
- 5. The nurses turned out to be very genial.
- 7. Polly was the most **pragmatic** member of the family.
- 8. Tom's classmates didn't appreciate his **pretentious** behavior.
- 9. Joe **reconciled** himself to living without a car.
- 10. A vile odor lingered around the garbage can.

CHAPTER 29

- 1. Al is an avid sports fan.
- 2. The number of leaves on the tree dwindled.
- 3. The critics had such esteem for the new CEO.
- 4. Music can evoke powerful feelings.
- Every leader wants a positive legacy.
- 6. My father refused to **mediate** guarrels between my siblings.
- 7. The artist used **muted** rather than bright colors.
- 8. My sister carefully **nurtures** her plants.
- I was not able to pacify the crying baby.
- 10. Spring is transient; it comes and goes quickly.

CHAPTER 30

- 1. British people are often said to be **aloof**.
- 2. I am ambivalent about football.
- 3. Some women augment their height by wearing high heels.
- 4. I tried to **dispel** my friend's fears.
- 5. The instructions were explicit.
- 6. The animal with the greatest **longevity** is the land tortoise.
- 7. The **magnitude** of the earthquake shocked the scientists.
- 8. **Mundane** events can turn into extraordinary events.
- 9. The **obscure** composer wrote few pieces.
- 10. Too much red pepper in the chili will render it inedible.