

Grades  
5th-8th

# Investigating Tier 2 Vocabulary







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# Identifying With Context Clues



Word: \_\_\_\_\_

Clues: \_\_\_\_\_

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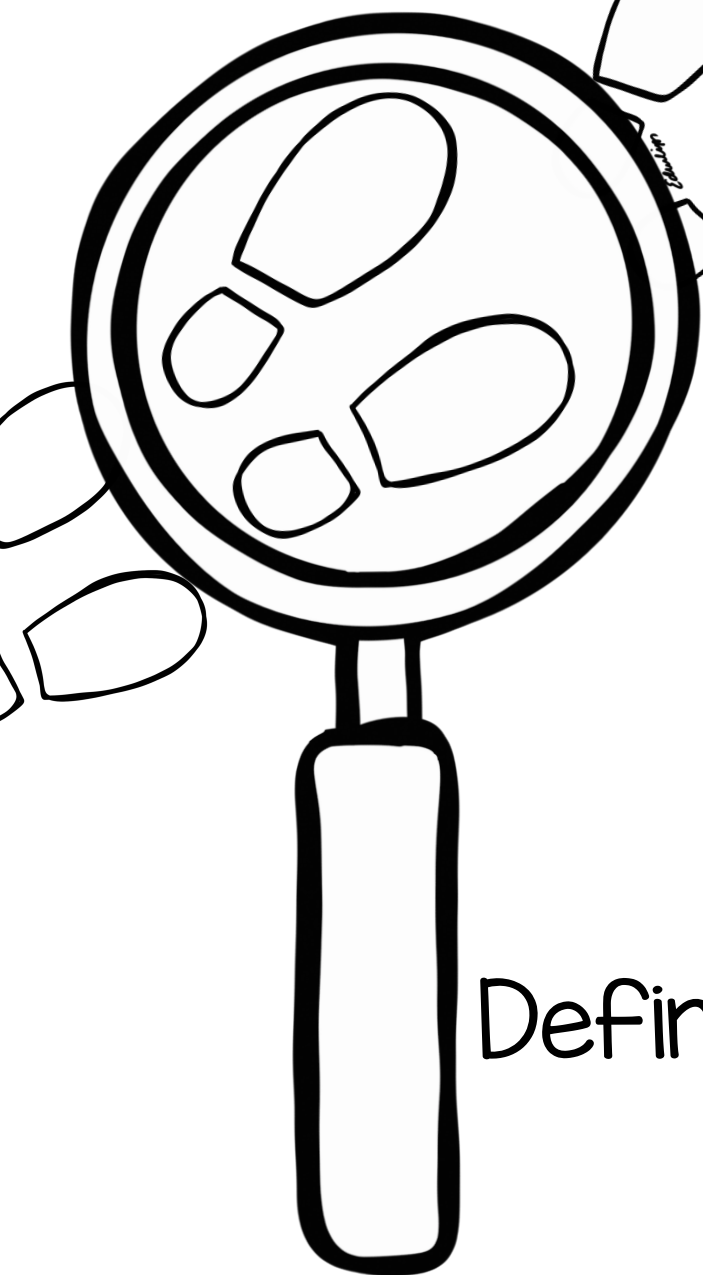
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# defining with context clues



Word: \_\_\_\_\_

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My word means

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I can use my word  
in a sentence.

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My word in a  
picture.



# What are context clues?

Context clues are hints used in writing to help you define or understand difficult words.

Example: The new teacher had a vivacious personality. She was often found running around the school, sharing her excitement with the staff and students. Everyone loved her.

Vivacious means full of excitement, lively.

See how the highlighted parts help you understand what vivacious means?



# Let's Practice!

Directions: Read the made up word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the made up word.

## Made UP WORD: marlut

This morning it was snowing when I went outside. My hands were frozen by the time I made it to the bus stop. I wish I had some marluts to keep my hands warm.

What are marluts?

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## Made UP WORD: pranton

I love playing with my new pranton. He is big, brown, fluffy, and has floppy ears. His breath stinks sometimes. My mom gets annoyed when our pranton barks all night.

What is a pranton?

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## Made UP WORD: trenym

I spent the morning making sure I had all of my school supplies ready for tomorrow. The most important is my trenym. I need to be able to write in my notebook and finish my assignments. If I lose my trenym I won't be able to write.

What is a trenym?

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## Made UP WORD: plarten

I love plartens on my hamburger! I prefer the chips over the spears. I also prefer the ones that are sour over the ones that are sweet. Did you know you can make them at home. Plartens are made with cucumbers and vinegar.

What is a plarten?

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# answer key

Directions: Read the made up word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the made up word.

## Made UP WORD: marlut

This morning it was snowing when I went outside. My hands were frozen by the time I made it to the bus stop. I wish I had some marluts to keep my hands warm.

MARLUTS ARE GLOVES OR MITTENS.

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## Made UP WORD: pranton

I love playing with my new pranton. He is big, brown, fluffy, and has floppy ears. His breath stinks sometimes. My mom gets annoyed when our pranton barks all night.

A PRANTON IS A PUPPY.

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## Made UP WORD: trenym

I spent the morning making sure I had all of my school supplies ready for tomorrow. The most important is my trenym. I need to be able to write in my notebook and finish my assignments. If I lose my trenym I won't be able to write.

A TRENYM IS A PENCIL.

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## Made UP WORD: plarten

I love plartens on my hamburger! I prefer the chips over the spears. I also prefer the ones that are sour over the ones that are sweet. Did you know you can make them at home. Plartens are made with cucumbers and vinegar.

PLARTENS ARE PICKLES.

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (1)

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|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| 1. abolish     | 11. cease      | 21. edible     |
| 2. absurd      | 12. compensate | 22. endangered |
| 3. accomplish  | 13. convert    | 23. equivalent |
| 4. aggressive  | 14. conclude   | 24. evade      |
| 5. aroma       | 15. conflict   | 25. evaluate   |
| 6. anxious     | 16. consistent | 26. evidence   |
| 7. approximate | 17. context    | 27. exhaust    |
| 8. bland       | 18. decade     | 28. expansion  |
| 9. briskly     | 19. dominate   | 29. feeble     |
| 10. bungle     | 20. drowsy     | 30. gist       |



# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (2)

31. hesitate

32. hostile

33. huddle

34. illegible

35. illuminate

36. immense

37. immigrate

38. investigate

39. jubilation

40. navigate

41. nonchalant

42. opposed

43. persuade

44. revolt

45. saunter

46. scarce

47. solitary

48. tension

49. vertical

50. vivid



# definitions:

## Level 5 Tier 2 (1)

- abolish – formally put an end to something
- absurd – completely illogical, senseless or untrue
- accomplish – to complete or achieve something
- aggressive – ready to attack or confront
- aroma – a pleasant smell
- anxious – full of worry or nervousness
- approximate – close, but not exactly accurate
- bland – having no strong features; uninteresting
- briskly – done quickly
- bungle – clumsily or incompetently carry out a task
- cease – stop or bring to an end
- compensate – to give something (often money) for a loss, suffering, injury or work
- convert – to change form or function
- conclude – to bring something to an end; make a judgement
- conflict – a serious disagreement or argument
- consistent – remaining the same (unchanged) over a period of time
- context – clues that help you understand meaning or provides additional, important information
- decade – a period of 10 years



# definitions:

## LEVEL 5 TIER 2 (2)

- dominate – to have influence or control over something or someone
- drowsy – sleepy
- edible – something that you can eat
- endangered – a species at risk of extinction
- equivalent – equal in value or amount
- evade – to escape or avoid something by using trickery
- evaluate – to assess something
- evidence – facts or information to prove something
- exhaust – drain of physical or mental resources; use up
- expansion – becoming larger or more extensive
- feeble – weak; lacking physical strength as a result of age or illness
- gist – the reason or point of an action or speech
- hesitate – to pause before saying or doing something
- hostile – unfriendly; antagonistic
- huddle – to crowd together
- illegible – messy; can not be read; unclear
- illuminate – to light up



# definitions:

## Level 5 Tier 2 (3)

- immense – extremely large (by scale or degree)
- immigrate – to move to a foreign country to live permanently
- investigate – to look for clues or examine facts to prove truth
- jubilation – feeling happy or triumphant
- navigate – to plan a route using maps or other instruments
- nonchalant – appearing casual, calm, relaxed; having no anxiety
- opposed – to be against or disagree
- persuade – provide arguments or information to convince someone to do something
- revolt – to rise in rebellion
- saunter – to walk slowly; not in a hurry
- scarce – having very little; not enough (money, food)
- solitary – being alone
- tension – stretched tight; mental or emotional strain
- vertical – pointing up and down
- vivid – producing clear, powerful, strong images in your mind

# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 Target Word: abolish

Lvl 5

People called abolitionists worked hard during the civil war to abolish slavery. During this time period slaves were often beaten, whipped, and lived in horrible conditions.

What does abolish mean?

- a) start something
- b) put an end to something
- c) enjoy something

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## 2 Target Word: absurd

Lvl 5

Mark said he would join the club when pigs fly. That sounded absurd! Pigs can't fly because they don't have wings. I don't think Mark knew what he was talking about.

What does absurd mean?

- a) illogical; makes no sense
- b) normal; common
- c) factual

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## 3 Target Word: accomplish

Lvl 5

Mary practiced every day so she would be able to accomplish her dream. Her dream is to play the guitar in a band. If she doesn't practice, her dreams may not come true.

What does accomplish mean?

- a) lose something
- b) fail at something
- c) complete or achieve something

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## 4 Target Word: aggressive

Lvl 5

The dog became very aggressive when strangers came over to the house. He bit a few strangers and tried to bite many others. Aggressive dogs can be very scary.

What does aggressive mean?

- a) calm; gentle
- b) ready to attack
- c) playful

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## 5 TARGET WORD: aroma

Lvl 5

I love the aroma of fresh cut flowers. Having them in my house makes me happy. They are so pretty and they smell fantastic.

What does aroma mean?

- a) pleasant smell
- b) horrible smell
- c) different types

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## 6 TARGET WORD: anxious

Lvl 5

Every time my teacher says we are going to have a pop quiz, I get anxious. My stomach starts to knot up and I think I will be sick. I get scared that I may fail the quiz.

What does anxious mean?

- a) calm and relaxed
- b) failing
- c) nervous; full of worry

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## 7 TARGET WORD: approximate

Lvl 5

My mom put our family on a budget. She allotted us an approximate amount of money for groceries. There is no way to know exactly what the groceries will cost, but we can guess pretty closely.

What does approximate mean?

- a) exactly accurate
- b) close but not exactly accurate
- c) completely incorrect

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## 8 TARGET WORD: bland

Lvl 5

My brother loves to eat rice. He hates spicy foods. He likes things that don't have much flavor. I think rice tastes bland. I prefer spicy foods.

What does bland mean?

- a) no strong features; uninteresting
- b) full of flavor
- c) disgusting

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Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 Target Word: briskly

Lvl 5

The kids walked briskly to school. They were running late and it was cold outside. They wanted to get there as soon as possible.

What does briskly mean?

- a) slowly
- b) backwards
- c) quickly

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## 10 Target Word: bungle

Lvl 5

She tried to help with the experiment but she bungled it up. She spilled water on the floor, then broke the bottle. The experiment was ruined.

What does bungle mean?

- a) correctly carry out a task
- b) incompetently carry out a task
- c) confusion

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## 11 Target Word: cease

Lvl 5

The police officer told the robber to cease when he came out of the bank. There was nowhere for the thief to go. The pursuit was over.

What does cease mean?

- a) stop; end
- b) continue
- c) answer questions

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## 12 Target Word: compensate

Lvl 5

Mrs. Jones was injured when the construction worker dropped a beam on her foot. The construction company had to compensate her for her injuries. Her lawyer made sure they would pay the doctor bills.

What does compensate mean?

- a) give something (money) for an injury
- b) injure someone
- c) heal someone from an injury

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TARGET WORD: convert

Lvl 5

When we visited Mexico we needed to convert our money from dollars to pesos. Some places would not accept American dollars.

What does convert mean?

- a) keep the same
- b) earn
- c) change

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TARGET WORD: conclude

Lvl 5

The Treaty of Paris (1898) concluded the Spanish American War. The war ended in 1898.

What does conclude mean?

- a) start something
- b) bring to an end
- c) create something new

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TARGET WORD: conflict

Lvl 5

The fight between the two groups stemmed from a conflict over personal rights. The two groups were unable to come to an agreement about whether or not children should be allowed to discuss religion in schools.

What does conflict mean?

- a) a strong disagreement
- b) a peaceful demeanor
- c) compromise

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TARGET WORD: consistent

Lvl 5

The teacher's rules and expectations have remained consistent throughout the school year. She wanted to make sure her students were not surprised by a change in her expectations.

What does consistent mean?

- a) help with understanding
- b) remain the same over time
- c) change over time

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## TARGET WORD: context

Lvl 5

When you have trouble understanding a word in a book, you can use the surrounding context to help you figure out the meaning. The other words or sentences are full of clues and more information.

What does context mean?

- a) pages in a book
- b) clues to help with understanding
- c) a definition

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## TARGET WORD: decade

Lvl 5

In history we learned about decades. My favorite decade to learn about was the 80's. I liked the 90's too.

What does decade mean?

- a) 50 years
- b) 10 years
- c) 5 years

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## TARGET WORD: dominate

Lvl 5

The king's goal was to dominate the people who lived in his country. He wanted to control everything they did and said. He wanted complete control.

What does dominate mean?

- a) be controlled by someone else
- b) have control over
- c) talk to people

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## TARGET WORD: drowsy

Lvl 5

After staying awake all night worried about the impending war, the president was drowsy the next day. He could barely keep his eyes open.

What does drowsy mean?

- a) to be awake
- b) to sleep soundly
- c) to be sleepy

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

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TARGET WORD: edible

Lvl 5

It was important for the early settlers to understand which plants were edible. If they ate plants that were not edible there was a possibility they would get very sick or even die.

What does edible mean?

- a) something that smells bad
- b) something that will make you sick
- c) something you can eat

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22

TARGET WORD: endangered

Lvl 5

The black rhino is an endangered animal. People killed numerous black rhinos a day for food or entertainment. Even if you visit Africa, there is little chance you will find this animal.

What does endangered mean?

- a) at risk of extinction
- b) an abundance
- c) an animal

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23

TARGET WORD: equivalent

Lvl 5

Three quarters are equivalent to seven dimes and a nickel. If your snack costs \$0.75 it doesn't matter if you give the cashier the three quarters or the seven dimes and one nickel.

What does equivalent mean?

- a) different value
- b) equal in value
- c) money

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TARGET WORD: evade

Lvl 5

The thieves were able to evade capture by wearing costumes and changing cars often. The police couldn't identify the thieves. More clues are needed to determine their identities.

What does evade mean?

- a) avoid or escape using trickery
- b) capture
- c) commit a crime

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

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Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

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TARGET WORD: **evaluate**

Lvl 5

Students' knowledge is often evaluated by taking tests. The more information the students know, the better their scores will be.

What does evaluate mean?

- a) plan something
- b) teach something
- c) assess something

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TARGET WORD: **evidence**

Lvl 5

The police gather evidence from the crime scene to solve the case. During the trial the prosecution will need that evidence to prove the suspect is guilty.

What does evidence mean?

- a) opinions and guesses
- b) facts/information to prove something
- c) capture a suspect

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TARGET WORD: **exhaust**

Lvl 5

The mayor exhausted all his resources trying to find the missing little boy. He didn't have any more ideas and he didn't have anyone left that he could ask for help. He was completely exhausted too.

What does exhaust mean?

- a) have an excess of something
- b) gas coming from the back of vehicle
- c) use up; drain of resources

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TARGET WORD: **expansion**

Lvl 5

Thousands of Americans moved into Oregon during the westward expansion. This gave Americans more and more land to live on.

What does expansion mean?

- a) becoming smaller
- b) becoming larger
- c) exploration

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Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

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TARGET WORD: feeble

Lvl 5

The feeble old lady was trying to lift a heavy bag. She wasn't able to get the bag off the ground, so the high school students helped her.

What does feeble mean?

- a) weak because of age or illness
- b) strong
- c) small in stature

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TARGET WORD: gist

Lvl 5

The Governor's speech lasted an hour. I think the gist of it was that the city needs to find a way to better combat the high crime rate.

What does gist mean?

- a) long and drawn out
- b) the point of a speech or action
- c) a test or assessment

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TARGET WORD: hesitate

Lvl 5

The teenagers hesitated before committing the crime. Their hesitation allowed just enough time for security to show up before they could leave.

What does hesitate mean?

- a) moving to immediate action
- b) a reason for doing something
- c) pause before doing something

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TARGET WORD: hostile

Lvl 5

The angry man gave a hostile look to the mom and screaming child. He was already angry and the noise was making him angrier by the minute.

What does hostile mean?

- a) loving
- b) unfriendly
- c) friendly

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Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

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TARGET WORD: huddle

Lvl 5

The group huddled together to stay warm. When they were standing alone, they were freezing.

What does huddle mean?

- a) become warm
- b) crowd together
- c) stand alone

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TARGET WORD: illegible

Lvl 5

The teacher lectured the students about their handwriting. She told them she can not grade illegible papers because she has no idea if the answer is correct.

What does illegible mean?

- a) beautiful handwriting
- b) colorful handwriting
- c) handwriting that cannot be read

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TARGET WORD: illuminate

Lvl 5

When the power went out, we lit candles to illuminate the hallways. As soon as we could see again, we were able to find everyone else.

What does illuminate mean?

- a) light up
- b) make dark
- c) hear sounds

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TARGET WORD: immense

Lvl 5

When you visit the Grand Canyon, you can look out and see the immense land. You can see a far distance in every direction.

What does immense mean?

- a) extremely small
- b) extremely large
- c) a small town

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Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

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## TARGET WORD: immigrate

Lvl 5

My grandfather immigrated to America from Germany in 1942. He set up a home in Delaware and our family has been here ever since.

What does immigrate mean?

- a) to visit another country for a week
- b) stay in the same country
- c) move to a foreign country permanently

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## TARGET WORD: investigate

Lvl 5

The police were sent to investigate the robbery. They needed to collect evidence so they could prove John was guilty.

What does investigate mean?

- a) judge and jury
- b) look for clues to prove truth
- c) make a guess without proof

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## TARGET WORD: jubilation

Lvl 5

When the presidential candidate won the race, he was filled with a feeling of jubilation. His entire team was excited and felt their work payed off.

What does jubilation mean?

- a) feeling defeated
- b) winning
- c) feeling happy and triumphant

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## TARGET WORD: navigate

Lvl 5

When the group left for a cross-country trip, they took maps and a GPS to help navigate the trip. Without the maps and GPS they would easily get lost.

What does navigate mean?

- a) an atlas
- b) plan a route
- c) remain in the current location

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 41 Target Word: nonchalant Lvl 5

Even though he knew he would be in trouble for making an "F" on the test, he acted nonchalant. He didn't want anyone to know he was really scared to show his parents the test.

What does nonchalant mean?

- a) full of anxiety
- b) successful
- c) calm, relaxed, no anxiety

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## 42 Target Word: opposed Lvl 5

During the Civil War the Union was opposed to slavery. They wanted the slaves to be freed and no longer treated poorly.

What does opposed mean?

- a) agree with
- b) against or disagree
- c) feeling indifferent

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## 43 Target Word: persuade Lvl 5

The candidate running for school president tried to persuade the students to vote for him by making absurd promises. If the other students think he can make big things happen, they may vote for him.

What does persuade mean?

- a) a strong belief
- b) remain unchanged
- c) convince someone to do something

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## 44 Target Word: revolt Lvl 5

The townspeople staged a revolt when the king, they all hated, took control. They refused to conform to his new laws and destroyed parts of the city.

What does revolt mean?

- a) rise up in rebellion
- b) conform to social norms
- c) show excitement

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Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

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TARGET WORD: **saunter**

Lvl 5

The family sauntered down the beach, taking in the beautiful sunset. They love taking long walks together.

What does saunter mean?

- a) walk slowly
- b) sit and wait
- c) walk quickly

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TARGET WORD: **scarce**

Lvl 5

In the desert, food and other resources are scarce. You won't find any stores or restaurants.

What does scarce mean?

- a) a large amount
- b) a very little amount
- c) an adequate amount

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TARGET WORD: **solitary**

Lvl 5

While he liked to visit his friends, he preferred to live a solitary life. He liked not having to worry about other people. He enjoyed his alone time.

What does solitary mean?

- a) a large group
- b) an extrovert
- c) being alone

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TARGET WORD: **tension**

Lvl 5

When you tighten the wire between the boards, you increase the tension on the wire. If the wire has too much tension it will snap.

What does tension mean?

- a) not connected
- b) stretched tight
- c) loose; slack

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Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.



TARGET WORD: **vertical**

Lvl 5

The carpenter drew a long vertical line from the ceiling to the floor. He needed to mark the stud in the wall.

What does vertical mean?

- a) a line pointing up and down
- b) a line pointing at an angle
- c) a line pointing side to side

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TARGET WORD: **vivid**

Lvl 5

Sometimes people get vivid images in their heads when they read books. The adjectives used to describe the settings and characters create a very clear image for your mind.

What does vivid mean?

- a) a blank slate
- b) a fuzzy image
- c) a clear powerful image

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 TARGET WORD: abolish

Lvl 5

People called abolitionists worked hard during the civil war to abolish slavery. During this time period slaves were often beaten, whipped, and lived in horrible conditions.

What does abolish mean?

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## 2 TARGET WORD: absurd

Lvl 5

Mark said he would join the club when pigs fly. That sounded absurd! Pigs can't fly because they don't have wings. I don't think Mark knew what he was talking about.

What does absurd mean?

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## 3 TARGET WORD: accomplish

Lvl 5

Mary practiced every day so she would be able to accomplish her dream. Her dream is to play the guitar in a band. If she doesn't practice, her dreams may not come true.

What does accomplish mean?

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## 4 TARGET WORD: aggressive

Lvl 5

The dog became very aggressive when strangers came over to the house. He bit a few strangers and tried to bite many others. Aggressive dogs can be very scary.

What does aggressive mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 5 Target Word: aroma

Lvl 5

I love the aroma of fresh cut flowers. Having them in my house makes me happy. They are so pretty and they smell fantastic.

What does aroma mean?

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## 6 Target Word: anxious

Lvl 5

Every time my teacher says we are going to have a pop quiz, I get anxious. My stomach starts to knot up and I think I will be sick. I get scared that I may fail the quiz.

What does anxious mean?

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## 7 Target Word: approximate

Lvl 5

My mom put our family on a budget. She allotted us an approximate amount of money for groceries. There is no way to know exactly what the groceries will cost, but we can guess pretty closely.

What does approximate mean?

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## 8 Target Word: bland

Lvl 5

My brother loves to eat rice. He hates spicy foods. He likes things that don't have much flavor. I think rice tastes bland. I prefer spicy foods.

What does bland mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 Target Word: briskly

Lvl 5

The kids walked briskly to school. They were running late and it was cold outside. They wanted to get there as soon as possible.

What does briskly mean?

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## 10 Target Word: bungle

Lvl 5

She tried to help with the experiment but she bungled it up. She spilled water on the floor, then broke the bottle. The experiment was ruined.

What does bungle mean?

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## 11 Target Word: cease

Lvl 5

The police officer told the robber to cease when he came out of the bank. There was nowhere for the thief to go. The pursuit was over.

What does cease mean?

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## 12 Target Word: compensate

Lvl 5

Mrs. Jones was injured when the construction worker dropped a beam on her foot. The construction company had to compensate her for her injuries. Her lawyer made sure they would pay the doctor bills.

What does compensate mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

13

TARGET WORD: convert

Lvl 5

When we visited Mexico we needed to convert our money from dollars to pesos. Some places would not accept American dollars.

What does convert mean?

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14

TARGET WORD: conclude

Lvl 5

The Treaty of Paris (1898) concluded the Spanish American War. The war ended in 1898.

What does conclude mean?

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15

TARGET WORD: conflict

Lvl 5

The fight between the two groups stemmed from a conflict over personal rights. The two groups were unable to come to an agreement about whether or not children should be allowed to discuss religion in schools.

What does conflict mean?

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16

TARGET WORD: consistent

Lvl 5

The teacher's rules and expectations have remained consistent throughout the school year. She wanted to make sure her students were not surprised by a change in her expectations.

What does consistent mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

TARGET WORD: context

Lvl 5

When you have trouble understanding a word in a book, you can use the surrounding context to help you figure out the meaning. The other words or sentences are full of clues and more information.

What does context mean?

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18

TARGET WORD: decade

Lvl 5

In history we learned about decades. My favorite decade to learn about was the 80's. I liked the 90's too.

What does decade mean?

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19

TARGET WORD: dominate

Lvl 5

The king's goal was to dominate the people who lived in his country. He wanted to control everything they did and said. He wanted complete control.

What does dominate mean?

© The Speech Owl

20

TARGET WORD: drowsy

Lvl 5

After staying awake all night worried about the impending war, the president was drowsy the next day. He could barely keep his eyes open.

What does drowsy mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: edible

Lvl 5

It was important for the early settlers to understand which plants were edible. If they ate plants that were not edible there was a possibility that they would get very sick or even die.

What does edible mean?

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22

TARGET WORD: endangered

Lvl 5

The black rhino is an endangered animal. People killed numerous black rhinos a day for food or entertainment. Even if you visit Africa, there is little chance you will find this animal.

What does endangered mean?

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23

TARGET WORD: equivalent

Lvl 5

Three quarters are equivalent to seven dimes and a nickel. If your snack costs \$0.75 it doesn't matter if you give the cashier the three quarters or the seven dimes and one nickel.

What does equivalent mean?

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24

TARGET WORD: evade

Lvl 5

The thieves were able to evade capture by wearing costumes and changing cars often. The police couldn't identify the thieves. More clues are needed to determine their identities.

What does evade mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25

TARGET WORD: **evaluate**

Lvl 5

Students' knowledge is often evaluated by taking tests. The more information the students know, the better their scores will be.

What does evaluate mean?

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26

TARGET WORD: **evidence**

Lvl 5

The police gather evidence from the crime scene to solve the case. During the trial the prosecution will need that evidence to prove the suspect is guilty.

What does evidence mean?

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27

TARGET WORD: **exhaust**

Lvl 5

The mayor exhausted all of his resources trying to find the missing little boy. He didn't have any more ideas and he didn't have anyone left that he could ask for help. He was completely exhausted too.

What does exhaust mean?

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28

TARGET WORD: **expansion**

Lvl 5

Thousands of Americans moved into Oregon during the westward expansion. This gave Americans more and more land to live on.

What does expansion mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29

TARGET WORD: feeble

Lvl 5

The feeble old lady was trying to lift a heavy bag. She wasn't able to get the bag off the ground, so the high school students helped her.

What does feeble mean?

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30

TARGET WORD: gist

Lvl 5

The Governor's speech lasted an hour. I think the gist of it was that the city needs to find a way to better combat the high crime rate.

What does gist mean?

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31

TARGET WORD: hesitate

Lvl 5

The teenagers hesitated before committing the crime. Their hesitation allowed just enough time for security to show up before they could leave.

What does hesitate mean?

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32

TARGET WORD: hostile

Lvl 5

The angry man gave a hostile look to the mom and screaming child. He was already angry and the noise was making him angrier by the minute.

What does hostile mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: huddle

Lvl 5

The group huddled together to stay warm. When they were standing alone, they were freezing.

What does huddle mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: illegible

Lvl 5

The teacher lectured the students about their handwriting. She told them she can not grade illegible papers because she has no idea if the answer is correct.

What does illegible mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: illuminate

Lvl 5

When the power went out, we lit candles to illuminate the hallways. As soon as we could see again, we were able to find everyone else.

What does illuminate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: immense

Lvl 5

When you visit the Grand Canyon, you can look out and see the immense land. You can see a far distance in every direction.

What does immense mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: immigrate

Lvl 5

My grandfather immigrated to America from Germany in 1942. He set up a home in Delaware and our family has been here ever since.

What does immigrate mean?

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38

TARGET WORD: investigate

Lvl 5

The police were sent to investigate the robbery. They needed to collect evidence so they could prove John was guilty.

What does investigate mean?

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39

TARGET WORD: jubilation

Lvl 5

When the presidential candidate won the race, he was filled with a feeling of jubilation. His entire team was excited and felt their work payed off.

What does jubilation mean?

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40

TARGET WORD: navigate

Lvl 5

When the group left for a cross-country trip, they took maps and a GPS to help navigate the trip. Without the maps and GPS they would easily get lost.

What does navigate mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 41 Target Word: nonchalant Lvl 5

Even though he knew he would be in trouble for making an "F" on the test, he acted nonchalant. He didn't want anyone to know he was really scared to show his parents the test.

What does nonchalant mean?

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## 42 Target Word: opposed Lvl 5

During the Civil War the Union was opposed to slavery. They wanted the slaves to be freed and no longer treated poorly.

What does opposed mean?

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## 43 Target Word: persuade Lvl 5

The candidate running for school president tried to persuade the students to vote for him by making absurd promises. If the other students think he can make big things happen, they may vote for him.

What does persuade mean?

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## 44 Target Word: revolt Lvl 5

The townspeople staged a revolt when the king, they all hated, took control. They refused to conform to his new laws and destroyed parts of the city.

What does revolt mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: saunter

Lvl 5

The family sauntered down the beach, taking in the beautiful sunset. They love taking long walks together.

What does saunter mean?

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46

TARGET WORD: scarce

Lvl 5

In the desert, food and other resources are scarce. You won't find any stores or restaurants.

What does scarce mean?

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47

TARGET WORD: solitary

Lvl 5

While he liked to visit his friends, he preferred to live a solitary life. He liked not having to worry about other people. He enjoyed his alone time.

What does solitary mean?

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48

TARGET WORD: tension

Lvl 5

When you tighten the wire between the boards, you increase the tension on the wire. If the wire has too much tension it will snap.

What does tension mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.



TARGET WORD: **vertical**

Lvl 5

The carpenter drew a long vertical line from the ceiling to the floor. He needed to mark the stud in the wall.

What does vertical mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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TARGET WORD: **vivid**

Lvl 5

Sometimes people get vivid images in their heads when they read books. The adjectives used to describe the settings and characters create a very clear image for your mind.

What does vivid mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 Target Word: abolish

Lvl 5

The new treaty would essentially abolish the old trading routes, creating new, more effective routes.

What does abolish mean?

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## 2 Target Word: absurd

Lvl 5

Mark wanted every student to bring in \$300 so the class could take a week long field trip. I thought that was absurd! I couldn't afford \$300!

What does absurd mean?

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## 3 Target Word: accomplish

Lvl 5

My mom told me she was proud of me since I accomplished my goal of running a half marathon. I wasn't sure I would be able to finish.

What does accomplish mean?

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## 4 Target Word: aggressive

Lvl 5

The old man became very aggressive when the police were called. He began screaming and throwing things at us.

What does aggressive mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 5 Target Word: aroma

Lvl 5

The aroma of the beautiful roses made me smile when I walked in the door.

What does aroma mean?

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## 6 Target Word: anxious

Lvl 5

I get anxious when I am driving and see flashing lights behind me. My mom will ground me if I get a speeding ticket.

What does anxious mean?

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## 7 Target Word: approximate

Lvl 5

The principal said she needs an approximate count of students who will be attending the dance. She will get a final count in a few days.

What does approximate mean?

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## 8 Target Word: bland

Lvl 5

Some people think that classical music is bland. They say the lack of words is boring to them.

What does bland mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 Target Word: briskly

Lvl 5

When the rain began to fall, I walked briskly to my car. I was scared I would fall if I ran, but I didn't want to get too wet.

What does briskly mean?

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## 10 Target Word: bungle

Lvl 5

My little sister bungled my science project when she tried to help mold the volcano. I was so angry when I had to start all over again!

What does bungle mean?

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## 11 Target Word: cease

Lvl 5

When we found out we were breaking the law our concert ceased. We forgot to file for the appropriate permit and didn't want to be arrested.

What does cease mean?

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## 12 Target Word: compensate

Lvl 5

The company will have to compensate the woman the cost of her car. It was their fault the engine blew up.

What does compensate mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

13

TARGET WORD: convert

Lvl 5

My sister is not Catholic but her fiancée is. She will have to convert to Catholicism before they get married.

What does convert mean?

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14

TARGET WORD: conclude

Lvl 5

Based on my science experiment, I concluded that a bag of potato chips is much greasier than homemade baked sweet potato chips.

What does conclude mean?

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15

TARGET WORD: conflict

Lvl 5

There was a lot of conflict in our class over the rumors. The girls did not like hearing that the boys refused to eat lunch with them.

What does conflict mean?

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16

TARGET WORD: consistent

Lvl 5

If you are very consistent with your expectations, the children you babysit will be better behaved. If you change your expectations often, the kids won't know what they are allowed to do.

What does consistent mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

TARGET WORD: context

Lvl 5

When you quote someone it is important to provide the context of the quote. This helps people to understand what is being discussed.

What does context mean?

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18

TARGET WORD: decade

Lvl 5

Today we learned that there are 10 decades in 100 years. I enjoyed learning about the 1920's.

What does decade mean?

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19

TARGET WORD: dominate

Lvl 5

Many people with social concerns, have to learn not to dominate the conversation with topics others don't enjoy.

What does dominate mean?

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20

TARGET WORD: drowsy

Lvl 5

After driving across three states, my dad became very drowsy. We had to stop for the night and get some rest before continuing the next morning.

What does drowsy mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: edible

Lvl 5

Before we go camping, we should learn about edible plants. We don't want to eat something that is poisonous.

What does edible mean?

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22

TARGET WORD: endangered

Lvl 5

Many animals that are native to Africa have become endangered due to poaching. If we aren't careful they will become extinct.

What does endangered mean?

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23

TARGET WORD: equivalent

Lvl 5

In math class, we discussed that  $1/2$  and .50 are equivalent.

What does equivalent mean?

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24

TARGET WORD: evade

Lvl 5

The student attempted to evade the teachers questions about cheating by changing the subject.

What does evade mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25

TARGET WORD: evaluate

Lvl 5

Today the principal will sit in our class to evaluate our teacher's performance. We are going to be on our best behavior so our teacher receives a high score.

What does evaluate mean?

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26

TARGET WORD: evidence

Lvl 5

Police need evidence to charge someone with a crime. They can't arrest a random person for no reason.

What does evidence mean?

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27

TARGET WORD: exhaust

Lvl 5

My parents exhausted all of their resources trying to find a good lawyer. There was no one left to ask and they were out of money.

What does exhaust mean?

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28

TARGET WORD: expansion

Lvl 5

The interstate is currently closed for an expansion project. It will increase from two lanes to four lanes.

What does expansion mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29

TARGET WORD: feeble

Lvl 5

The feeble man was unable to leave the hospital after he was diagnosed with stage 4 cancer.

What does feeble mean?

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30

TARGET WORD: gist

Lvl 5

The man continued to ramble while he was talking to us. Fortunately, I was able to get the gist of his message. He wanted us to donate money to his charity.

What does gist mean?

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31

TARGET WORD: hesitate

Lvl 5

I often hesitate before walking into a new presentation. I need to take a deep breath and calm my nerves.

What does hesitate mean?

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32

TARGET WORD: hostile

Lvl 5

After realizing he was going to be arrested for the robbery, the thief became very hostile. He began screaming horrible things at everyone.

What does hostile mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: huddle

Lvl 5

The football players broke the huddle after receiving the play.

What does huddle mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: illegible

Lvl 5

Doctors' signatures are often illegible. It makes it difficult to figure out which doctor wrote the prescription if you don't already know.

What does illegible mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: illuminate

Lvl 5

At night our sidewalk is illuminated by many small lanterns. The lanterns make it much easier to see where you are stepping.

What does illuminate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: immense

Lvl 5

From the ridge, we were able to look out and see the immense valley. It looked like it continued forever.

What does immense mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: immigrate

Lvl 5

In 1620 the pilgrims immigrated to the United States. They originally landed in Cape Cod and later moved to Plymouth.

What does immigrate mean?

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38

TARGET WORD: investigate

Lvl 5

When my lunch was stolen out of my locker, I began to investigate the crime. I looked for witnesses and clues. I eventually found the culprit.

What does investigate mean?

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39

TARGET WORD: jubilation

Lvl 5

When my essay was chosen to be entered in the contest I was filled with jubilation. I had never been so proud of my writing.

What does jubilation mean?

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40

TARGET WORD: navigate

Lvl 5

When we traveled to our new home, we needed a GPS to help us navigate. We would not have found the correct roads without it.

What does navigate mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

41

TARGET WORD: nonchalant

Lvl 5

After stealing the coat, the man tried to act nonchalant so no one would notice him. He didn't want to stand out.

What does nonchalant mean?

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42

TARGET WORD: opposed

Lvl 5

Just because I am opposed to a cause doesn't mean that everyone who supports the cause is wrong. It just means I won't support it.

What does opposed mean?

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43

TARGET WORD: persuade

Lvl 5

If you really want to go to the concert, you will need to persuade your dad to take you. You might want to come up with some nice things to do for him.

What does persuade mean?

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44

TARGET WORD: revolt

Lvl 5

The Boston Tea Party was caused by a revolt against taxation without representation.

What does revolt mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: saunter

Lvl 5

I enjoy sauntering around downtown when I am not in a hurry. I love seeing all of the historical buildings and beautiful trees.

What does saunter mean?

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46

TARGET WORD: scarce

Lvl 5

During the Great Depression, food and luxuries were scarce. Most people couldn't afford to buy even the necessities.

What does scarce mean?

© The Speech Owl

47

TARGET WORD: solitary

Lvl 5

The deserted island was a very solitary place. There was no one there to talk to or to befriend.

What does solitary mean?

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48

TARGET WORD: tension

Lvl 5

When you play tug of war, you put a lot of tension on the rope. Luckily the rope is so thick it doesn't break.

What does tension mean?

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# LEVEL 5 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.



TARGET WORD: vertical

Lvl 5

The columns at the state house are a great example of vertical lines.

What does vertical mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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TARGET WORD: vivid

Lvl 5

The artist is known for the vivid colors she uses in her paintings. People love how those colors catch their eye.

What does vivid mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Level 5 answer key

## Set 1

(pages 15-27)

- |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 1) b  | 23) b | 45) a |
| 2) a  | 24) a | 46) b |
| 3) c  | 25) c | 47) c |
| 4) b  | 26) b | 48) b |
| 5) a  | 27) c | 49) a |
| 6) c  | 28) b | 50) c |
| 7) b  | 29) a |       |
| 8) a  | 30) b |       |
| 9) c  | 31) c |       |
| 10) b | 32) b |       |
| 11) a | 33) b |       |
| 12) a | 34) c |       |
| 13) c | 35) a |       |
| 14) b | 36) b |       |
| 15) a | 37) c |       |
| 16) b | 38) b |       |
| 17) b | 39) c |       |
| 18) b | 40) b |       |
| 19) b | 41) c |       |
| 20) c | 42) b |       |
| 21) c | 43) c |       |
| 22) a | 44) a |       |

## Set 2 a&b

(pages 28-53)

- 1) formally put an end to something
- 2) completely illogical
- 3) complete or achieve something
- 4) ready to attack or confront
- 5) a pleasant smell
- 6) full of worry or nervousness
- 7) close, but not exactly accurate
- 8) no strong features; uninteresting
- 9) done quickly
- 10) clumsily or incompetently carry out a task
- 11) stop or bring to an end
- 12) to give something (money) for a loss or injury
- 13) change form or function
- 14) bring something to an end; make a judgement
- 15) a serious disagreement or argument
- 16) staying the same over time
- 17) clues that help you understand something
- 18) a period of 10 years
- 19) have influence or control over
- 20) sleepy
- 21) something that you can eat
- 22) a species at risk of extinction



# LEVEL 5 ANSWER KEY

## Set 2 a&b CON'T

(Pages 28-53)

- 23) equal in value or amount
- 24) escape or avoid by using trickery
- 25) to assess something
- 26) facts or information to prove something
- 27) drain of physical or mental resources;  
use up
- 28) becoming larger or more extensive
- 29) weak; lacking physical strength due to  
age or illness
- 30) the point of an action or speech
- 31) pause before doing or saying something
- 32) unfriendly; antagonistic
- 33) to crowd together
- 34) messy; can't read; unclear
- 35) to light up
- 36) extremely large
- 37) move to a foreign country to live  
permanently
- 38) look for clues or examine facts to  
prove truth
- 39) feeling happy or triumphant

- 40) plan a route using maps or other  
instruments
- 41) appearing casual, calm, relaxed
- 42) be against or disagree
- 43) convince someone to do something
- 44) rise in rebellion
- 45) walk slowly; not in a hurry
- 46) having very little; not enough
- 47) being alone
- 48) stretched tight; mental or  
emotional strain
- 49) pointing up and down
- 50) produce clear, powerful, strong  
images in your mind

# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (1)

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| 1. abandon      | 13. boisterous  | 25. jovial     |
| 2. abundant     | 14. catastrophe | 26. loathe     |
| 3. accumulate   | 15. cope        | 27. lofty      |
| 4. adapt        | 16. deluge      | 28. manipulate |
| 5. adequate     | 17. dissent     | 29. marvel     |
| 6. adhere       | 18. exhaust     | 30. meager     |
| 7. ample        | 19. expanse     | 31. oblivious  |
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- barren – land that is unable to produce vegetation
- blunder – a careless mistake
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## LEVEL 6 Tier 2 (2)

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- irrigate – supply water to help things grow
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- lofty – great and worthy of praise
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- a) remain in the location
- b) give up on; leave
- c) acquire new possessions

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2

## TARGET WORD: abundant

Lvl 6

The 20 campers went to the lake and caught an abundant amount of fish. They were able to eat for 5 days before they had to go fishing again.

What does abundant mean?

- a) a large quantity
- b) nonexistent
- c) a small quantity

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3

## TARGET WORD: accumulate

Lvl 6

The collector accumulated all of the gold coins and put them in a portfolio. He wanted to make sure none were lost.

What does accumulate mean?

- a) scatter about
- b) lose possession of
- c) gather together

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4

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Lvl 6

Some animals are able to adapt their coloring so they are camouflaged with the environment. This helps protect them from predators.

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- b) remain the same
- c) use trickery

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What does adequate mean?

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- b) satisfactory; acceptable
- c) unchanging

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6

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Lvl 6

The students must adhere to the school rules. Any breaking of the rules will not be tolerated.

What does adhere mean?

- a) break the rules
- b) ignore instructions
- c) strictly follow the rules

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7

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Lvl 6

The farmer had an ample supply of feed and hay. He could feed all his animals and the neighbor's animals with that much.

What does ample mean?

- a) lack of something
- b) enough or more than enough
- c) minuscule amount

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After analyzing the evidence, the defense attorney was ready to go to trial. He spent hours looking over every piece of evidence to help explain his client's innocence.

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- b) examine details to help explain
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- b) climate with excessive rain
- c) climate with excessive snow

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- a) land full of lush vegetation
- b) land unable to produce vegetation
- c) land full of water

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- b) noisy or rowdy behavior
- c) quiet or calm behavior

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## 14 Target Word: catastrophe Lvl 6

The hurricane hitting New Orleans was a huge catastrophe. Much of the city was destroyed. There was so much destruction, it will take years to rebuild.

What does catastrophe mean?

- a) huge disaster
- b) impending danger
- c) lack of rain

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## 15 Target Word: cope Lvl 6

Some students have a hard time coping with a lot of noise. They will scream and hide when it gets too loud. We can help teach them how to appropriately deal with loud environments.

What does cope mean?

- a) enjoy an environment
- b) deal with appropriately
- c) losing control

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## 16 Target Word: deluge Lvl 6

The massive amounts of rain caused a huge deluge at the ball park. Cars were under water and people couldn't leave.

What does deluge mean?

- a) severe flood
- b) earthquake
- c) light rain

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

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17

## TARGET WORD: dissent

Lvl 6

When the dictator came into power, he stated anyone who dissented with his rules would be punished. People were not allowed to have different opinions.

What does dissent mean?

- a) express differing opinions
- b) having no opinion
- c) express similar opinions

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18

## TARGET WORD: exhaust

Lvl 6

The mayor exhausted all of his resources trying to find the missing little boy. He didn't have any more ideas and he didn't have anyone left that he could ask for help.

What does exhaust mean?

- a) have an excess of something
- b) gas coming from the back of vehicle
- c) use up; drain of resources

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19

## TARGET WORD: expanse

Lvl 6

When you visit the Grand Canyon you can look out and see the amazing expanse of land. You can see a far distance in every direction.

What does expanse mean?

- a) large open area of land
- b) a small pond
- c) a dense forrest

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20

## TARGET WORD: extensive

Lvl 6

The damage from the hurricane was extensive. It affected the entire city. There were few homes that were not destroyed.

What does extensive mean?

- a) affecting a small area
- b) having no effect
- c) affecting a large area

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21

TARGET WORD: hoax

Lvl 6

The article about another war starting was a hoax. Someone thought it was funny, but the rest of us did not.

What does hoax mean?

- a) deception
- b) having no opinion
- c) factual information

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22

TARGET WORD: irrigate

Lvl 6

The farmer has to irrigate his farm so the vegetables will grow. If the soil is too dry the crops will die.

What does irrigate mean?

- a) kill from drought
- b) harvest crops
- c) supply water to help grow

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23

TARGET WORD: inept

Lvl 6

Although the boy practiced driving everyday, he was an inept driver. He hit something every time he put the car in reverse.

What does inept mean?

- a) interesting
- b) having no skill; clumsy
- c) very skillful

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24

TARGET WORD: ingenious

Lvl 6

The student's new grade keeping invention was ingenious! The principal spent years trying to create a new way to keep grades, but was never successful.

What does ingenious mean?

- a) ridiculous
- b) having no affect
- c) clever and inventive

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Lvl 6

The jovial curator met us at the museum. She was excited to meet us and teach us about history.

What does jovial mean?

- a) rude; unfriendly
- b) apathetic
- c) cheerful; friendly

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26

TARGET WORD: loathe

Lvl 6

Martin Luther King, Jr loathed segregation. He fought hard to try to end segregation.

What does loathe mean?

- a) feeling of dislike or disgust
- b) neutral feeling
- c) feeling of love

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27

TARGET WORD: lofty

Lvl 6

The lofty basketball player, set a new school record for points in a game.

What does lofty mean?

- a) average height
- b) great; worthy of praise
- c) short in height

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28

TARGET WORD: manipulate

Lvl 6

The king used many tactics to manipulate his subjects. He tricked them into doing everything he wanted.

What does manipulate mean?

- a) control someone
- b) have hatred for someone
- c) give in to someone

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TARGET WORD: **marvel**

Lvl 6

The children marveled at the stars in the planetarium. They had never seen such an amazing sight since they live in the city.

What does marvel mean?

- a) uninteresting
- b) filled with wonder and astonishment
- c) filled with distaste

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30

TARGET WORD: **meager**

Lvl 6

During the Great Depression many people had meager amounts of food. They were tired and hungry.

What does meager mean?

- a) having a large quantity
- b) having just enough
- c) having very small quantity

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31

TARGET WORD: **oblivious**

Lvl 6

The oblivious child walked out into the street in front of a car. His parents had a talk with him that afternoon about being aware of his surroundings.

What does oblivious mean?

- a) not aware of surroundings
- b) small; short in stature
- c) very aware

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32

TARGET WORD: **plummet**

Lvl 6

When the cold front hit, the temperature plummeted! It went from 95 degrees to 65 degrees in less than two days.

What does plummet mean?

- a) drop quickly
- b) remain unchanged
- c) rise quickly

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TARGET WORD: tangible

Lvl 6

Even though technology keeps advancing, I prefer a tangible book. I like to hold it in my hands and turn the pages.

What does tangible mean?

- a) unable to be seen
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- c) able by touch

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Lvl 6

The plans made by the school board were tentative. They were subject to change at any time.

What does tentative mean?

- a) not certain or confirmed
- b) confirmed; definite
- c) cancelled

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TARGET WORD: unanimous

Lvl 6

Everyone loved Mr. Taylor, one of the candidates running for mayor. He won by a unanimous vote. There was not a single vote for the other candidate.

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- c) neutral

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Set 2B

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1

TARGET WORD: abandon

Lvl 6

When Nate's family moved they couldn't take their puppy with them. Instead of finding someone who would take the puppy, they abandoned him on the side of the road.

What does abandon mean?

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2

TARGET WORD: abundant

Lvl 6

The students held a toy drive to help homeless children. They were shocked by the abundance of toys that were donated. All these toys would be able to help a lot of children.

What does abundant mean?

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3

TARGET WORD: accumulate

Lvl 6

School was cancelled when the snow began to accumulate on the ground. The buses couldn't drive with that much snow on the roads.

What does accumulate mean?

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4

TARGET WORD: adapt

Lvl 6

When the superintendent decided to cancel school early, we needed to adapt our schedule.

What does adapt mean?

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

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5

TARGET WORD: adequate

Lvl 6

The small classroom is adequate since the class size is also small. If any more students are added to the class, they will need a bigger room.

What does adequate mean?

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6

TARGET WORD: adhere

Lvl 6

If the restaurant does not adhere to the strict health codes, it will be shut down.

What does adhere mean?

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7

TARGET WORD: ample

Lvl 6

The orchard produced an ample amount of apples. All of the trees were filled with apples this year.

What does ample mean?

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8

TARGET WORD: analyze

Lvl 6

Before making a life changing decision, you need to really analyze all of the pros and cons. Think very carefully before making your choice.

What does analyze mean?

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Set 2B

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9 Target Word: apprehensive Lvl 6

With all of the recent job cuts, my mom is apprehensive that her job will be cut next. She doesn't know how we will make it if she loses her job.

What does apprehensive mean?

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10 Target Word: arid Lvl 6

Most crops can not grow in arid climates, because they need water to survive.

What does arid mean?

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11 Target Word: barren Lvl 6

After the huge grassfire, the open land was barren. The flames destroyed everything in their path.

What does barren mean?

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12 Target Word: blunder Lvl 6

Last week I had a big blunder; I wrote the wrong name on my homework!

What does blunder mean?

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The boisterous class was reprimanded by their teacher for being out of control. They now have silent lunch for a week.

What does boisterous mean?

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The tsunami was a huge catastrophe. It destroyed a lot of land and buildings, but it also killed a lot of people.

What does catastrophe mean?

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Sometimes it is difficult learning how to cope after someone close to you has died. It takes time to grieve.

What does cope mean?

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**16** TARGET WORD: deluge Lvl 6

The deluge almost destroyed the farmer's crops. Too much water can be detrimental to the crops.

What does deluge mean?

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Set 2B

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17

Target Word: dissent

Lvl 6

The teenager's parents dissented with the idea that he should be allowed to stay out until midnight.

What does dissent mean?

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18

Target Word: exhaust

Lvl 6

My parents exhausted all of their resources trying to find a good lawyer. There was no one left to ask and they were out of money.

What does exhaust mean?

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19

Target Word: expanse

Lvl 6

While we were on the cruise ship, I was amazed looking out at the expanse of ocean. You couldn't see land anywhere.

What does expanse mean?

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20

Target Word: extensive

Lvl 6

The 800 page autobiography was an extensive review of the author's life.

What does extensive mean?

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: hoax

Lvl 6

The article stating that the actor was hit by a train was a hoax. The actor is alive and well.

What does hoax mean?

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22

TARGET WORD: irrigate

Lvl 6

The farmer used water from his rain collection to irrigate his crops.

What does irrigate mean?

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23

TARGET WORD: inept

Lvl 6

My dad says his boss is inept at managing others. He thinks anyone could do a better job than his boss does.

What does inept mean?

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24

TARGET WORD: ingenious

Lvl 6

Alexander Graham Bell was an ingenious inventor, creating the telephone, metal detector and audiometer.

What does ingenious mean?

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25

TARGET WORD: jovial

Lvl 6

Mrs. Martin was voted the best teacher in the school. It was partly because of the way she teaches and partly because of her jovial personality. Everyone loved her.

What does jovial mean?

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26

TARGET WORD: loathe

Lvl 6

My friend, Natalie, loathes football. She refuses to go to any of the games with me.

What does loathe mean?

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27

TARGET WORD: lofty

Lvl 6

The football players set lofty goals this year. They want to win every home game.

What does lofty mean?

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28

TARGET WORD: manipulate

Lvl 6

The boy cut his hand when he couldn't manipulate the saw appropriately. The saw was out of control.

What does manipulate mean?

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29

TARGET WORD: marvel

Lvl 6

We all marveled at the movie star, when we saw her at the grocery store. I have never met anyone famous before.

What does marvel mean?

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30

TARGET WORD: meager

Lvl 6

After my company left, I had meager amounts of food left at my house. I needed to go to the grocery store.

What does meager mean?

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31

TARGET WORD: oblivious

Lvl 6

Courtney was oblivious to the fact that she was not actually invited to the party.

What does oblivious mean?

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32

TARGET WORD: plummet

Lvl 6

When people began to buy music online, people predicted that CD sales would plummet. The discs are not needed when you download from the internet.

What does plummet mean?

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# LEVEL 6 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: tangible

Lvl 6

The abuse of the cat was evident from the tangible scars and wounds.

What does tangible mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: tentative

Lvl 6

The game is tentatively scheduled for 8:00 pm. If any other events interfere, we may need to change the time.

What does tentative mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: unanimous

Lvl 6

The class voted to decide if they would have a pizza or ice cream party. A pizza party won with a unanimous vote.

What does unanimous mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LEVEL 6 ANSWER KEY

## Set 1

(pages 59-67)

- |       |       |
|-------|-------|
| 1) b  | 21) a |
| 2) a  | 22) c |
| 3) c  | 23) b |
| 4) a  | 24) c |
| 5) b  | 25) c |
| 6) c  | 26) a |
| 7) b  | 27) b |
| 8) b  | 28) a |
| 9) c  | 29) b |
| 10) a | 30) c |
| 11) b | 31) a |
| 12) c | 32) a |
| 13) b | 33) c |
| 14) a | 34) a |
| 15) b | 35) b |
| 16) a |       |
| 17) a |       |
| 18) c |       |
| 19) a |       |
| 20) c |       |

## Set 2 a&b

(pages 68-85)

- 1) give up completely, leave
- 2) large quantity, a lot
- 3) gather together
- 4) modify, make changes for a purpose
- 5) satisfactory or acceptable
- 6) to follow strictly
- 7) enough or more than enough of something
- 8) examine details to explain or investigate
- 9) anxious that something bad will happen
- 10) a climate having little to no rain
- 11) land that is unable to produce vegetation
- 12) a careless mistake
- 13) behavior that is noisy or rowdy
- 14) a huge disaster
- 15) to deal appropriately with something difficult
- 16) a severe flood
- 17) to express opinions not in line with majority
- 18) to drain of physical or mental resources
- 19) a large open area
- 20) covering or affecting a large area
- 21) a deception
- 22) supply water to help things grow



# LEVEL 6 ANSWER KEY

## Set 2 a&b CON'T

(PAGES 68-85)

- 23) having no skill; clumsy
- 24) clever and inventive
- 25) cheerful; friendly
- 26) feeling of dislike or disgust
- 27) great and worthy of praise
- 28) control someone or something
- 29) filled with wonder or astonishment
- 30) having little (quantity)
- 31) not aware of something
- 32) drop at a high rate of speed
- 33) observable by touch
- 34) not certain or confirmed
- 35) all are in agreement

# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (1)

- |                |                 |               |
|----------------|-----------------|---------------|
| 1. abate       | 11. astute      | 21. copious   |
| 2. abode       | 12. authentic   | 22. dawdle    |
| 3. abdicate    | 13. bamboozle   | 23. docile    |
| 4. abrasive    | 14. belligerent | 24. enthrall  |
| 5. abruptly    | 15. bewilder    | 25. exonerate |
| 6. acrid       | 16. blatant     | 26. exuberant |
| 7. admonish    | 17. braggart    | 27. famished  |
| 8. agitate     | 18. candor      | 28. fathom    |
| 9. allege      | 19. compel      | 29. flagrant  |
| 10. antagonize | 20. connotation | 30. gaudy     |



# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (2)

- |                |                 |
|----------------|-----------------|
| 31. haggle     | 41. rudimentary |
| 32. inundate   | 42. shirk       |
| 33. irate      | 43. stodgy      |
| 34. ludicrous  | 44. sullen      |
| 35. mandate    | 45. talisman    |
| 36. negligent  |                 |
| 37. nimble     |                 |
| 38. oration    |                 |
| 39. punctual   |                 |
| 40. relinquish |                 |

# definitions:

## Level 7 Tier 2 (1)

- abate – to cause something to become smaller or less intense
- abode – a house or home
- abdicate – fail to fulfill a responsibility or duty
- abrasive – a material or substance used for grinding or polishing
- abruptly – suddenly or unexpectedly
- acrid – have a strong annoying and unpleasant taste or smell
- admonish – to firmly reprimand or warn someone
- agitate – to make someone feel nervous or troubled
- allege – to claim someone has done something wrong (without proof)
- antagonize – causing someone to become agitated
- astute – an ability to notice or understand things clearly; clever; mentally sharp
- authentic – genuine; of known origin
- bamboozle – to deceive, perplex, fool or cheat someone
- belligerent – hostile and aggressive



# definitions:

## Level 7 Tier 2 (2)

- bewilder – to confuse someone
- blatant – bad behavior done openly or obviously
- braggart – a person who boasts about their possessions or achievements
- candor – an open and honest quality in a person; frankness
- compel – to force someone to do something
- connotation – an idea or feeling a word creates in addition to its literal meaning
- copious – an abundance of supplies or quantity; a lot
- dawdle – move slowly; waste time
- docile – easily taught, led or controlled
- enthrall – capture attention or fascination of someone
- exonerate – to free from blame, guilt or wrongdoing
- exuberant – filled with lively energy and excitement
- famished – very hungry
- fathom – understand after much thought
- flagrant – obviously offensive

# definitions:

## Level 7 Tier 2 (3)

- gaudy – extremely showy and over the top
- haggle – to bargain over the cost of something
- inundate – overwhelm with things or people that have to be dealt with
- irate – extremely angry
- ludicrous – foolish; unreasonable; ridiculous
- mandate – an official order to do something
- negligent – not taking care in doing something
- nimble – quick and light in movements; agile
- oration – a formal speech for a ceremony
- punctual – on time
- relinquish – to give something up
- rudimentary – limited to basic principles or form
- shirk – to avoid or neglect
- stodgy – dull or uninspired
- sullen – gloomy; bad-tempered
- talisman – an object thought to have magic powers or bring good luck

# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 TARGET WORD: abate

Lvl 1

The soldier was given medicine to abate the pain in his leg after the war was over. He was in intense pain when he went to the hospital.

What does abate mean?

- a) become more intense
- b) become less intense
- c) remain the same

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## 2 TARGET WORD: abode

Lvl 1

After the business trip, the man returned to his humble abode. He was excited to finally be home and sleeping in his own bed.

What does abode mean?

- a) large area of open land
- b) hotel
- c) house or home

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## 3 TARGET WORD: abdicate

Lvl 1

The two countries went to war because the king would not abdicate the throne. The king refused to allow them to become allies. They felt he was the worst ruler the country had ever seen.

What does abdicate mean?

- a) fulfill a responsibility
- b) have success
- c) failure to fulfill responsibility

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## 4 TARGET WORD: abrasive

Lvl 1

The abrasive sandpaper was used to make the wood smooth.

What does abrasive mean?

- a) material used for connecting
- b) material used for grinding or polishing
- c) material used for painting

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

5

TARGET WORD: abruptly

Lvl 7

The truck abruptly stopped when a small child ran out into the street. The driver did everything he could to avoid hitting the child.

What does abruptly mean?

- a) over a long period of time
- b) expectedly
- c) suddenly or unexpectedly

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6

TARGET WORD: acrid

Lvl 7

The paper mill put off an acrid smell. The people in town stated that it made their eyes water and their noses burn.

What does acrid mean?

- a) strong, unpleasant taste or smell
- b) pleasant taste or smell
- c) wanting to taste or smell

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7

TARGET WORD: admonish

Lvl 7

The students were admonished for plagiarizing their reports. The next time they get caught they will be expelled.

What does admonish mean?

- a) firmly reprimand
- b) praise
- c) share excitedly

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8

TARGET WORD: agitate

Lvl 7

The bullies were trying to agitate the little girl by talking about her behind her back. Now she's worried about what they will do to her.

What does agitate mean?

- a) make someone feel at ease
- b) make someone feel nervous or troubled
- c) make someone feel pleased

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 TARGET WORD: allege

Lvl 7

The police alleged that Marcus was the one who committed the crime. However, they couldn't find any proof to charge him with the crime.

What does allege mean?

- a) place in jail or protective custody
- b) show proof of guilt
- c) make a claim without proof

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## 10 TARGET WORD: antagonize

Lvl 7

Martha should not have antagonized Sarah. It caused Sarah to become paranoid and Martha was labeled as a bully.

What does antagonize mean?

- a) to make someone feel included
- b) cause someone to become agitated
- c) to agitate self

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## 11 TARGET WORD: astute

Lvl 7

Carl, an astute student, was constantly called to tutor the students who were failing. The teachers couldn't believe how quickly Carl learned the new material.

What does astute mean?

- a) mentally sharp; understand clearly
- b) unable to understand information
- c) to help others

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## 12 TARGET WORD: authentic

Lvl 7

We know the artwork is authentic, because the author's signature and date are located on the back.

What does authentic mean?

- a) of unknown origin
- b) genuine; of known origin
- c) anonymous

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 13 Target Word: bamboozle Lvl 7

The con artist tried to bamboozle the banker out of millions of dollars. He tricked the banker into giving him access to several bank accounts.

What does bamboozled mean?

- a) have a quality of honesty
- b) give false information
- c) deceive or cheat someone

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## 14 Target Word: belligerent Lvl 7

The man became belligerent when he thought no one was willing to help him. All of the bystanders were scared he would try to start a fight with them.

What does belligerent mean?

- a) unwilling to help
- b) hostile or aggressive
- c) friendly

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## 15 Target Word: bewilder Lvl 7

Calculus has been known to bewilder many students. All of the letters and numbers start to get confusing.

What does bewilder mean?

- a) give information to someone
- b) confuse someone
- c) provide insight into something

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## 16 Target Word: blatant Lvl 7

He blatantly defied the principal's order not to leave the school. He walked out of the building while the principal was still talking.

What does blatant mean?

- a) good behavior done privately
- b) bad behavior done privately
- c) bad behavior done openly

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# Level 7 Tier 2 Vocabulary

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

## Target Word: braggart

Lvl 7

The braggart was showing off his new mansion. He loves to show people what he can afford, even if it makes others feel bad.

What does braggart mean?

- a) person who boasts about possessions
- b) a humble person
- c) person who is apathetic

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18

## Target Word: candor

Lvl 7

The mayor's candor worked both in her favor and against her. While some people loved her open and honest communication, others only wanted to hear positive things.

What does candor mean?

- a) pretend things don't exist
- b) open and honest quality in someone
- c) private; someone who hides information

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19

## Target Word: compel

Lvl 7

The teacher compelled her students to do their homework by threatening to fail every student who did not turn it in.

What does compel mean?

- a) having no boundaries
- b) force someone to do something
- c) allow someone to do anything

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20

## Target Word: connotation

Lvl 7

The word "pig" has a negative connotation when you are talking about a person. That is one animal people don't like being called.

What does connotation mean?

- a) a neutral feeling
- b) idea or feeling perceived by a word
- c) a literal meaning

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: copious

Lvl 1

After the supply drive, there were copious amounts of school supplies to give out. I have never seen that many pairs of scissors or bottles of glue.

What does copious mean?

- a) abundance of supplies; a lot
- b) an adequate amount
- c) a lack of supplies; very little

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22

TARGET WORD: dawdle

Lvl 1

The student didn't want to go to class so he dawdled in the hallway. When the principal saw what was going on, he hurried the student along.

What does dawdle mean?

- a) move quickly
- b) use time wisely
- c) move slowly; waste time

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23

TARGET WORD: docile

Lvl 1

The docile horse made its way along the beginners trail. He was easily led by a farm hand.

What does docile mean?

- a) hostile; not easily controlled
- b) new with little knowledge
- c) easily led or controlled

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24

TARGET WORD: enthral

Lvl 1

When the football player spoke at the assembly, the students were so enthralled you could hear a pin drop. The kids couldn't take their eyes off of him.

What does enthral mean?

- a) capture attention or fascination
- b) disengage with someone
- c) absent-minded

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 25 TARGET WORD: exonerate Lvl 7

The innocent man was exonerated when the police found new evidence to charge someone else with the crime.

What does exonerate mean?

- a) to have an abundance of evidence
- b) to free from blame or guilt
- c) to find guilty

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## 26 TARGET WORD: exuberant Lvl 7

Cathy won the mayoral race, partly because of her exuberant personality. Everyone loved her excited energy.

What does exuberant mean?

- a) boring or dull
- b) willingness to help others
- c) filled with energy and excitement

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## 27 TARGET WORD: famished Lvl 7

When they were finally rescued, the men were famished. They spent four days lost at sea with no food.

What does famished mean?

- a) very hungry
- b) needing nothing
- c) full; satisfied

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## 28 TARGET WORD: fathom Lvl 7

I can't even begin to fathom how you drove your car up a pole. That makes absolutely no sense.

What does fathom mean?

- a) understand after thought
- b) an activity that is boring
- c) confusion

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 29 Target Word: flagrant Lvl 7

The student showed a flagrant disregard for the teacher's rule about cheating when he stole the test.

What does flagrant mean?

- a) lacking offense
- b) with thoughtfulness
- c) obviously offensive

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## 30 Target Word: gaudy Lvl 7

The girl wore a gaudy dress to the prom. It was covered in glitter, ribbons, and rhinestones.

What does gaudy mean?

- a) extremely showy; over the top
- b) boring or dull
- c) humble; not showy

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## 31 Target Word: haggle Lvl 7

At the flea market it is acceptable to haggle over prices. If you think it is priced too high, you can try to get it lowered.

What does haggle mean?

- a) keep the price the same
- b) bargain over the price
- c) raise the price

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## 32 Target Word: inundate Lvl 7

My boss tends to inundate people with projects. Sometimes he gives me so many projects that it is impossible to complete them all.

What does inundate mean?

- a) overwhelm with things to be done
- b) engage with others
- c) given few tasks

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: irate

Lvl 1

The driver was irate when the truck hit his car. He jumped out and started screaming at the other driver.

What does irate mean?

- a) even-tempered
- b) friendly and social
- c) extremely angry

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34

TARGET WORD: ludicrous

Lvl 1

Most people think the idea of astronauts finding aliens on another planet is ludicrous.

What does ludicrous mean?

- a) completely plausible
- b) foolish; ridiculous
- c) an abundance of evidence

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35

TARGET WORD: mandate

Lvl 1

During the hurricane, the officials received a mandate from the mayor to evacuate the city. The evacuation was not a choice.

What does mandate mean?

- a) fear of completion
- b) an independent task
- c) an official order to do something

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36

TARGET WORD: negligent

Lvl 1

After leaving the baby at home alone for more than five hours, the mother was found to be negligent. This caused her to lose custody of her child.

What does negligent mean?

- a) completing tasks with care
- b) not taking care of something
- c) responsibility

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: nimble

Lvl 1

The nimble runner quickly ran around the track and jumped over the hurdles. He beat the other runners by at least 10 seconds.

What does nimble mean?

- a) with heavy movements and steps
- b) slow and leisurely
- c) quick, light in movement; agile

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38

TARGET WORD: oration

Lvl 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. gave a beautiful oration, discussing the need for equal rights, regardless of skin color.

What does oration mean?

- a) a device for writing speeches
- b) a brief conversation
- c) a formal speech

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39

TARGET WORD: punctual

Lvl 1

Maria is always punctual, which is why tardiness really frustrates her. She can't stand it when someone is late.

What does punctual mean?

- a) having no sense of time
- b) late
- c) on time

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40

TARGET WORD: relinquish

Lvl 1

The stockbroker had to relinquish his position after others found out about the scandal.

What does relinquish mean?

- a) detail of a task
- b) to give something up
- c) to gain a reward

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 41 Target Word: rudimentary Lvl 7

You at least need a rudimentary knowledge of programming before you try to create your own website.

What does rudimentary mean?

- a) having extensive knowledge
- b) having no knowledge at all
- c) limited to basic principles

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## 42 Target Word: shirk Lvl 7

It's unbelievable that the lifeguard tried to shirk his responsibilities. Someone could have drowned and there would have been no one there to save them.

What does shirk mean?

- a) move quickly
- b) to avoid or neglect
- c) to take responsibility

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## 43 Target Word: stodgy Lvl 7

I thought the new t.v. show would be funny and exciting. Instead, I found it to be rather stodgy.

What does stodgy mean?

- a) without care
- b) dull or uninspired
- c) funny and exciting

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## 44 Target Word: sullen Lvl 7

After failing her history final, Kerri was sullen for days. No one could find a way to cheer her up.

What does sullen mean?

- a) even-tempered; unaffected
- b) gloomy; bad tempered
- c) being in a great mood

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: **talisman**

Lvl 7

Many people consider a rabbit's foot to be a talisman. They say carrying it around with them brings good luck.

What does talisman mean?

- a) object to bring good luck
- b) an object that is not tangible
- c) object that is cursed

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 Target Word: abate

Lvl 7

The soldier was given medicine to abate the pain in his leg after the war was over. He was in intense pain when he went to the hospital.

What does abate mean?

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## 2 Target Word: abode

Lvl 7

After the business trip, the man returned to his humble abode. He was excited to finally be home and sleeping in his own bed.

What does abode mean?

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## 3 Target Word: abdicate

Lvl 7

The two countries went to war because the king would not abdicate the throne. The king refused to allow them to become allies. They felt he was the worst ruler the country had ever seen.

What does abdicate mean?

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## 4 Target Word: abrasive

Lvl 7

The abrasive sandpaper was used to make the wood smooth.

What does abrasive mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

5

TARGET WORD: abruptly

Lvl 7

The truck abruptly stopped when a small child ran out into the street. The driver did everything he could to avoid hitting the child.

What does abruptly mean?

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6

TARGET WORD: acrid

Lvl 7

The paper mill put off an acrid smell. The people in town stated that it made their eyes water and their noses burn.

What does acrid mean?

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TARGET WORD: admonish

Lvl 7

The students were admonished for plagiarizing their reports. The next time they get caught they will be expelled.

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TARGET WORD: agitate

Lvl 7

The bullies were trying to agitate the little girl by talking about her behind her back. Now she's worried about what they will do to her.

What does agitate mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 TARGET WORD: allege

Lvl 7

The police alleged that Marcus was the one who committed the crime. However, they couldn't find any proof to charge him with the crime.

What does allege mean?

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## 10 TARGET WORD: antagonize

Lvl 7

Martha should not have antagonized Sarah. It caused Sarah to become paranoid and Martha was labeled as a bully.

What does antagonize mean?

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## 11 TARGET WORD: astute

Lvl 7

Carl, an astute student, was constantly called to tutor the students who were failing. The teachers couldn't believe how quickly Carl learned the new material.

What does astute mean?

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## 12 TARGET WORD: authentic

Lvl 7

We know the artwork is authentic, because the author's signature and date are located on the back.

What does authentic mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 13 Target Word: bamboozle Lvl 7

The con artist tried to bamboozle the banker out of millions of dollars. He tricked the banker into giving him access to several bank accounts.

What does bamboozled mean?

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## 14 Target Word: belligerent Lvl 7

The man became belligerent when he thought no one was willing to help him. All of the bystanders were scared he would try to start a fight with them.

What does belligerent mean?

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## 15 Target Word: bewilder Lvl 7

Calculus has been known to bewilder many students. All of the letters and numbers start to get confusing.

What does bewilder mean?

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## 16 Target Word: blatant Lvl 7

He blatantly defied the principal's order not to leave the school. He walked out of the building while the principal was still talking.

What does blatant mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

TARGET WORD: braggart

Lvl 1

The braggart was showing off his new mansion. He loves to show people what he can afford, even if it makes others feel bad.

What does braggart mean?

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18

TARGET WORD: candor

Lvl 1

The mayor's candor worked both in her favor and against her. While some people loved her open and honest communication, others only wanted to hear positive things.

What does candor mean?

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19

TARGET WORD: compel

Lvl 1

The teacher compelled her students to do their homework by threatening to fail every student who did not turn it in.

What does compel mean?

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20

TARGET WORD: connotation

Lvl 1

The word "pig" has a negative connotation when you are talking about a person. That is one animal people don't like being called.

What does connotation mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: copious

Lvl 1

After the supply drive, there were copious amounts of school supplies to give out. I have never seen that many pairs of scissors or bottles of glue.

What does copious mean?

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22

TARGET WORD: dawdle

Lvl 1

The student didn't want to go to class so he dawdled in the hallway. When the principal saw what was going on, he hurried the student along.

What does dawdle mean?

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23

TARGET WORD: docile

Lvl 1

The docile horse made its way along the beginners trail. He was easily led by a farm hand.

What does docile mean?

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24

TARGET WORD: enthral

Lvl 1

When the football player spoke at the assembly, the students were so enthralled you could hear a pin drop. The kids couldn't take their eyes off of him.

What does enthral mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25 TARGET WORD: exonerate Lvl 1

The innocent man was exonerated when the police found new evidence to charge someone else with the crime.

What does exonerate mean?

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26 TARGET WORD: exuberant Lvl 1

Cathy won the mayoral race, partly because of her exuberant personality. Everyone loved her excited energy.

What does exuberant mean?

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27 TARGET WORD: famished Lvl 1

When they were finally rescued, the men were famished. They spent four days lost at sea with no food.

What does famished mean?

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28 TARGET WORD: fathom Lvl 1

I can't even begin to fathom how you drove your car up a pole. That makes absolutely no sense.

What does fathom mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 29 Target Word: flagrant Lvl 7

The student showed a flagrant disregard for the teacher's rule about cheating when he stole the test.

What does flagrant mean?

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## 30 Target Word: gaudy Lvl 7

The girl wore a gaudy dress to the prom. It was covered in glitter, ribbons, and rhinestones.

What does gaudy mean?

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## 31 Target Word: haggle Lvl 7

At the flea market it is acceptable to haggle over prices. If you think it is priced too high, you can try to get it lowered.

What does haggle mean?

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## 32 Target Word: inundate Lvl 7

My boss tends to inundate people with projects. Sometimes he gives me so many projects that it is impossible to complete them all.

What does inundate mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: irate

Lvl 1

The driver was irate when the truck hit his car. He jumped out and started screaming at the other driver.

What does irate mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: ludicrous

Lvl 1

Most people think the idea of astronauts finding aliens on another planet is ludicrous.

What does ludicrous mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: mandate

Lvl 1

During the hurricane, the officials received a mandate from the mayor to evacuate the city. The evacuation was not a choice.

What does mandate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: negligent

Lvl 1

After leaving the baby at home alone for more than five hours, the mother was found to be negligent. This caused her to lose custody of her child.

What does negligent mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: nimble

Lvl 1

The nimble runner quickly ran around the track and jumped over the hurdles. He beat the other runners by at least 10 seconds.

What does nimble mean?

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38

TARGET WORD: oration

Lvl 1

Martin Luther King, Jr. gave a beautiful oration, discussing the need for equal rights, regardless of skin color.

What does oration mean?

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39

TARGET WORD: punctual

Lvl 1

Maria is always punctual, which is why tardiness really frustrates her. She can't stand it when someone is late.

What does punctual mean?

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40

TARGET WORD: relinquish

Lvl 1

The stockbroker had to relinquish his position after others found out about the scandal.

What does relinquish mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 41 Target Word: rudimentary Lvl 7

You at least need a rudimentary knowledge of programming before you try to create your own website.

What does rudimentary mean?

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## 42 Target Word: shirk Lvl 7

It's unbelievable that the lifeguard tried to shirk his responsibilities. Someone could have drowned and there would have been no one there to save them.

What does shirk mean?

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## 43 Target Word: stodgy Lvl 7

I thought the new t.v. show would be funny and exciting. Instead, I found it to be rather stodgy.

What does stodgy mean?

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## 44 Target Word: sullen Lvl 7

After failing her history final, Kerri was sullen for days. No one could find a way to cheer her up.

What does sullen mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: **talisman**

Lvl 7

Many people consider a rabbit's foot to be a talisman. They say carrying it around with them brings good luck.

What does talisman mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 TARGET WORD: abate

Lvl 7

They hoped to abate the traffic congestion by adding additional lanes to the interstate.

What does abate mean?

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## 2 TARGET WORD: abode

Lvl 7

People who are homeless do not have an abode. They often sleep on the streets.

What does abode mean?

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## 3 TARGET WORD: abdicate

Lvl 7

Many pop stars have decided to abdicate their responsibility as a role model to our youth. They do anything they please without thinking about the consequences.

What does abdicate mean?

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## 4 TARGET WORD: abrasive

Lvl 7

The abrasive concrete surface caused his feet to bleed after walking on it barefoot all day.

What does abrasive mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

5

TARGET WORD: abruptly

Lvl 7

After the players arrest, he was abruptly kicked off the team. They had a policy stating arrests would result in immediate removal.

What does abruptly mean?

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6

TARGET WORD: acrid

Lvl 7

The acrid smell of sulfur is similar to that of rotten eggs.

What does acrid mean?

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7

TARGET WORD: admonish

Lvl 7

The drama teacher is constantly admonishing students for forgetting their lines. She thinks it is unacceptable.

What does admonish mean?

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8

TARGET WORD: agitate

Lvl 7

I tend to get agitated when people cancel their plans without giving me advanced warning.

What does agitate mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 9 TARGET WORD: allege

Lvl 7

The lawsuit alleges that the school failed to protect the student from the bully. Unfortunately, there is no proof.

What does allege mean?

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## 10 TARGET WORD: antagonize

Lvl 7

You should never antagonize other people. You never know what they are going through or what they will do.

What does antagonize mean?

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## 11 TARGET WORD: astute

Lvl 7

The astute businessman became a millionaire very quickly when he invented the new car accessory.

What does astute mean?

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## 12 TARGET WORD: authentic

Lvl 7

We knew the art work was authentic because it was both signed and dated by the author.

What does authentic mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

**13** TARGET WORD: bamboozle Lvl 7

You did not earn that award. Stop trying to bamboozle us!

What does bamboozled mean?

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**14** TARGET WORD: belligerent Lvl 7

After waiting hours for the doctor, Daniel became belligerent. He had lost his patience.

What does belligerent mean?

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**15** TARGET WORD: bewilder Lvl 7

Carl was bewildered by the strange noises coming out of the woods. He could not figure out what he was hearing.

What does bewilder mean?

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**16** TARGET WORD: blatant Lvl 7

The judge became outraged when the man blatantly lied to his face. The judge immediately sentenced him to 60 days in jail.

What does blatant mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

TARGET WORD: braggart

Lvl 7

The braggart made sure everyone in the neighborhood saw his new, expensive sports car.

What does braggart mean?

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18

TARGET WORD: candor

Lvl 7

People respected the politician for his candor and honesty related to his past.

What does candor mean?

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19

TARGET WORD: compel

Lvl 7

My parents compel me to do my chores by refusing to pay my allowance until the chores are done.

What does compel mean?

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20

TARGET WORD: connotation

Lvl 7

You can find the definition of words in a dictionary, however, you will not find the connotation related to that word. Some words produce negative feelings with people.

What does connotation mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

21

TARGET WORD: copious

Lvl 7

The students held a toy drive to help homeless children. They were shocked by the copious amount of toys that were donated. All these toys would be able to help a lot of children.

What does copious mean?

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22

TARGET WORD: dawdle

Lvl 7

If you dawdle while waiting tables, customers will become angry. People don't like to wait a long time for service.

What does dawdle mean?

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23

TARGET WORD: docile

Lvl 7

The first time the little girl rode a horse, she was given the most docile horse in the barn.

What does docile mean?

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24

TARGET WORD: enthral

Lvl 7

I am enthralled with the new singer. I think she has the most amazing voice.

What does enthral mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25 TARGET WORD: exonerate Lvl 1

The defense attorney's job is to exonerate his clients and keep them out of jail.

What does exonerate mean?

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26 TARGET WORD: exuberant Lvl 1

The waiter receives large tips every time he works because of his exuberant personality.

What does exuberant mean?

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27 TARGET WORD: famished Lvl 1

After missing both breakfast and lunch, I was completely famished.

What does famished mean?

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28 TARGET WORD: fathom Lvl 1

Everyone loved the new secretary, so we could not fathom why she was fired.

What does fathom mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29 Target Word: flagrant Lvl 7

After the basketball player committed a flagrant foul, he was immediately ejected from the game.

What does flagrant mean?

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30 Target Word: gaudy Lvl 7

Susan loved her gaudy, new ring. It was so big and flashy you could see it from across the room.

What does gaudy mean?

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31 Target Word: haggle Lvl 7

The two men haggled over the price of the table. Tom didn't want to pay too much.

What does haggle mean?

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32 Target Word: inundate Lvl 7

The inquisitive preschoolers inundated their teacher with tons of questions.

What does inundate mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: irate

Lvl 1

The teacher was irate after a fight broke out in her classroom. Fighting was not tolerated.

What does irate mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: ludicrous

Lvl 1

There seem to be a lot of ludicrous movies. I recently heard about one where a dog became president.

What does ludicrous mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: mandate

Lvl 1

The company mandate required all employees to sign in and out each day.

What does mandate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: negligent

Lvl 1

After the little boy was found playing in the busy street, the babysitter was found to be negligent.

What does negligent mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: nimble

Lvl 1

The tiny running back was much more nimble than the big defensive back.

What does nimble mean?

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38

TARGET WORD: oration

Lvl 1

Although the victim's oration, describing her pain, only lasted 3 minutes, many of the audience members were crying by the end.

What does oration mean?

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39

TARGET WORD: punctual

Lvl 1

The man was not known for being punctual. He was late to work almost every day.

What does punctual mean?

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40

TARGET WORD: relinquish

Lvl 1

If you are robbed, it is often safer if you relinquish your belongings to the robber rather than fight.

What does relinquish mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 41 Target Word: rudimentary Lvl 7

Our business plan is still in the rudimentary stages. We have a long way to go until we are ready to implement the plan.

What does rudimentary mean?

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## 42 Target Word: shirk Lvl 7

Parents should not shirk their responsibilities if they want their children to be productive citizens.

What does shirk mean?

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## 43 Target Word: stodgy Lvl 7

The stodgy old man does not believe women should be allowed to work outside of the home. Most people do not agree with his beliefs.

What does stodgy mean?

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## 44 Target Word: sullen Lvl 7

Maria was sullen for days after her boyfriend broke up with her.

What does sullen mean?

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# LEVEL 7 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: talisman

Lvl 7

Finding a penny on the ground, if it is head up, is a talisman. Don't pick it up if the penny is heads down! That's bad luck!

What does talisman mean?

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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TARGET WORD: \_\_\_\_\_

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# Level 7 answer key

## Set 1

(pages 93-104)

- |       |       |       |
|-------|-------|-------|
| 1) b  | 23) C | 45) a |
| 2) C  | 24) a |       |
| 3) C  | 25) b |       |
| 4) b  | 26) C |       |
| 5) C  | 27) a |       |
| 6) a  | 28) a |       |
| 7) a  | 29) C |       |
| 8) b  | 30) a |       |
| 9) C  | 31) b |       |
| 10) b | 32) a |       |
| 11) a | 33) C |       |
| 12) b | 34) b |       |
| 13) C | 35) C |       |
| 14) b | 36) b |       |
| 15) b | 37) C |       |
| 16) C | 38) C |       |
| 17) a | 39) C |       |
| 18) b | 40) b |       |
| 19) b | 41) C |       |
| 20) b | 42) b |       |
| 21) a | 43) b |       |
| 22) C | 44) b |       |

## Set 2 a&b

(pages 105-128)

- 1) cause something to become smaller or less
- 2) a house or home
- 3) fail to fulfill responsibility or duty
- 4) material used for grinding or polishing
- 5) suddenly, unexpectedly
- 6) a strong unpleasant taste or smell
- 7) firmly reprimand or warn someone
- 8) make someone feel nervous or troubled
- 9) make a claim against someone with no proof
- 10) cause someone to become agitated
- 11) mentally sharp; understand things clearly
- 12) genuine; of known origin
- 13) deceive, cheat or fool someone
- 14) hostile and aggressive
- 15) confuse someone
- 16) bad behavior done openly or obviously
- 17) person who boasts about things
- 18) an open and honest quality in a person
- 19) to force someone to do something
- 20) the feeling or idea that a word creates
- 21) a lot of supplies; abundance
- 22) move slowly; waste time

# LEVEL 7 ANSWER KEY

## Set 2 a&b CON'T

(pages 105-128)

23) easily taught, led, OR controlled

24) capture someones attention OR  
fascination

25) free from blame, guilt, OR wrongdoing

26) filled with lively energy OR excitement

27) very hungry

28) understand after a lot of thought

29) obviously offensive

30) extremely showy, over the top

31) bargain over the cost of something

32) overwhelm with things that have to be  
dealt with

33) extremely angry

34) foolish; unreasonable; ridiculous

35) an official order to do something

36) not taking care in doing something

37) quick and light in movement; agile

38) a formal speech for a ceremony

39) on time

40) to give something up

41) limited to basic principles

42) avoid OR neglect

43) dull OR uninspired

44) gloomy, bad-tempered

45) object thought to have magic powers  
OR bring good luck



# LEVEL 8 Tier 2 VOCABULARY (1)

- |               |                |                 |
|---------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 1. abhor      | 11. assimilate | 21. corroborate |
| 2. advocate   | 12. assumption | 22. desolate    |
| 3. agile      | 13. atrocity   | 23. despondent  |
| 4. ambiguous  | 14. audacious  | 24. elapse      |
| 5. amiss      | 15. benign     | 25. embark      |
| 6. anarchy    | 16. boycott    | 26. encompass   |
| 7. anonymous  | 17. cache      | 27. evolve      |
| 8. anthology  | 18. capacious  | 28. excerpt     |
| 9. apathy     | 19. confiscate | 29. feasible    |
| 10. apprehend | 20. conspire   | 30. gingerly    |



# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY (2)

- |                  |                |                 |
|------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 31. gullible     | 43. mutiny     | 55. rebuke      |
| 32. imminent     | 44. novice     | 56. reverberate |
| 33. impel        | 45. obsolete   | 57. succumb     |
| 34. imperative   | 46. pioneer    | 58. surmise     |
| 35. inaugurate   | 47. plagiarize | 59. tedious     |
| 36. integrate    | 48. prevalent  | 60. theory      |
| 37. interrogate  | 49. proprietor | 61. tirade      |
| 38. jurisdiction | 50. prudent    | 62. trepidation |
| 39. languish     | 51. pseudonym  | 63. universal   |
| 40. lucrative    | 52. pungent    | 64. validate    |
| 41. merge        | 53. rankle     | 65. voracious   |
| 42. meticulous   | 54. rebuff     |                 |

# definitions:

## Level 8 Tier 2 (1)

- abhor – to have disgust or hatred toward something
- advocate – to publicly support a certain cause
- agile – ability to move quickly and easily
- ambiguous – having more than one meaning; open to interpretation
- amiss – not quite right; out of place
- anarchy – disorder due to lack of authority
- anonymous – unknown name; not identified
- anthology – a published collection of poems or other types of writing
- apathy – a lack of interest or concern
- apprehend – being arrested for a crime
- assimilate – take in information and understand fully
- assumption – something accepted as true without having proof
- atrocity – an extremely cruel act including physical injury
- audacious – willing to take extremely bold risks
- benign – gentle; not harmful
- boycott – cutting ties with something as a punishment or protest

# definitions:

## Level 8 Tier 2 (2)

- cache – a collection of similar items in a hidden place
- capacious – a lot of space inside; roomy
- confiscate – take something with authority
- conspire – secretly make plans to commit a negative act together
- corroborate – confirm or give support to something (statement, theory, etc)
- desolate – empty of people (a place)
- despondent – low spirits from a loss of courage or hope
- elapse – time that passes by
- embark – board a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle; begin something
- encompass – surround; hold within
- evolve – develop gradually
- excerpt – a short piece of text, movie, song, etc
- feasible – something that can be done easily or conveniently
- gingerly – done in a careful or cautious manner
- gullible – someone who is easily convinced to believe something
- imminent – something that is about to happen



# definitions:

## Level 8 Tier 2 (3)

- impel – force someone to do something
- imperative – very important; crucial
- inaugurate – formally admit someone to an office
- integrate – combine things so they become a whole
- interrogate – formally ask a lot of questions about something
- jurisdiction – having official power to make legal decisions
- languish – a long time spent in an unwanted situation without making progress
- lucrative – something that produces a lot of profit (money)
- merge – combine things into one
- meticulous – showing attention to detail; very careful
- mutiny – an open rebellion against authority
- novice – a new or inexperienced person
- obsolete – no longer used; out of date
- pioneer – a person who is the first to explore an area

# definitions:

## Level 8 Tier 2 (4)

- plagiarize – try to pass someone else's work as your own
- prevalent – most frequent or common
- proprietor – owner of a business or property
- prudent – showing care and thought for the future
- pseudonym – a false name, often used by an author
- pungent – a very strong smell or taste
- rankle – causing bitterness or irritation
- rebuff – to reject someone or something in an abrupt and unfriendly manner
- rebuke – express severe disapproval of someone because of their actions or behavior
- reverberate – a noise that is repeated several time; an echo
- succumb – failure to resist something; give in
- surmise – believe something is true without evidence to support it
- tedious – a task that is long, slow, or dull; monotonous

# definitions:

## Level 8 Tier 2 (5)

- theory – a system of ideas meant to explain something
- tirade – a long angry speech full of blame or criticisms
- trepidation – feeling fear or agitation about something that may happen
- universal – something that is for or done by all people
- validate – check or prove the accuracy of something
- voracious – having an eager approach to an activity

# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 1

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## 1 TARGET WORD: abhor

Lvl 8

I abhor the thought of writing a 10 page research paper, but I have to. If I don't write it I'll fail.

What does abhor mean?

- a) have disgust toward something
- b) show indifference toward something
- c) show love toward something

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## 2 TARGET WORD: advocate

Lvl 8

The new doctor is an advocate of healthy living. She tries to convince her patients to live healthy lifestyles so they will decrease the amount of medicine they take.

What does advocate mean?

- a) disregard specific causes
- b) show a lack of support for a cause
- c) publicly support a certain cause

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## 3 TARGET WORD: agile

Lvl 8

The man who won the marathon was agile. I couldn't believe he was able to run that far so quickly and still have energy.

What does agile mean?

- a) slow, dragging movements
- b) a winner
- c) ability to move quickly and easily

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## 4 TARGET WORD: ambiguous

Lvl 8

The speaker's statement was ambiguous. Different people took her comment to mean different things.

What does ambiguous mean?

- a) a definitive meaning
- b) multiple meanings, open to interpretation
- c) distasteful comments

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## 5 TARGET WORD: amiss

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When I walked in the bathroom and saw the cabinet open, I knew something was amiss. Someone had broken into our house and stole all the jewelry.

What does amiss mean?

- a) making perfect sense
- b) not quite right; out of place
- c) a robbery

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## 6 TARGET WORD: anarchy

Lvl 8

When the 8th grade teacher stepped into the hallway, the room turned into total anarchy. The teacher was very angry when she returned and saw the students behaving this way.

What does anarchy mean?

- a) disorder due to lack of authority
- b) order due to strong authority
- c) positive behavior

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## 7 TARGET WORD: anonymous

Lvl 8

The author of my favorite quote is anonymous. I wish I knew who wrote it so I could give them credit.

What does anonymous mean?

- a) known name; identified
- b) unknown name; not identified
- c) publisher

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## 8 TARGET WORD: anthology

Lvl 8

My teacher brought in her favorite anthology of poetry. British poetry is her favorite unit to teach.

What does anthology mean?

- a) study of people
- b) movies
- c) published collection of poems or writing

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## TARGET WORD: apathy Lvl 8

The apathy within the group of teenagers was dangerous. It was taking away their drive to help change the world for the better.

What does apathy mean?

- a) filled with concern for others
- b) a specified plan
- c) lack of interest or concern

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## TARGET WORD: apprehend Lvl 8

The police apprehended the criminal when they saw him speeding away from the crime scene.

What does apprehend mean?

- a) having no knowledge of a crime
- b) arrested for a crime
- c) being exonerated for a crime

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## TARGET WORD: assimilate Lvl 8

On the first day of a new job you have to assimilate a lot of information. There are so many things to learn in order to be successful.

What does assimilate mean?

- a) lack of understanding
- b) take in information and understand
- c) having no resemblance

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## TARGET WORD: assumption Lvl 8

When the teacher saw Catherine's mouth moving she made the assumption that she was cheating.

What does assumption mean?

- a) accept as true without proof
- b) to prove innocence
- c) having obvious proof

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The atrocity of the bombing stunned the nation. Thousands of people were missing and hundreds were confirmed dead.

What does atrocity mean?

- a) a wonderful act
- b) extremely cruel act involving physical harm
- c) proven guilty

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Lvl 8

The audacious athlete loved to jump from airplanes and zipline through the rainforest. He loved anything that was considered to be dangerous.

What does audacious mean?

- a) refusal to take risks
- b) boring or dull
- c) willing to take extremely bold risks

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TARGET WORD: benign

Lvl 8

Thankfully, the tumor turned out to be benign. We were terrified that it would be cancerous.

What does benign mean?

- a) of unknown origin
- b) gentle; not harmful
- c) extremely harmful

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TARGET WORD: boycott

Lvl 8

When we heard the t.v. station would not allow women to work there, we decided to boycott the station. They would not be getting any business from us.

What does boycott mean?

- a) increase support of something
- b) cut ties with something as a protest
- c) feeling indifferent about something

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## TARGET WORD: cache

Lvl 8

The treasure hunters were searching for the cache of jewels. There were rumors that hundreds of diamonds were buried together.

What does cache mean?

- a) collection of similar items in a hidden place
- b) collection that is openly presented
- c) a single object that is found

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## TARGET WORD: capacious

Lvl 8

When they moved out of the hotel and into a new house it seemed capacious. They didn't have enough furniture to fill the house.

What does capacious mean?

- a) a lack of space
- b) a cold, dark, empty place
- c) a lot of space; roomy

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## TARGET WORD: confiscate

Lvl 8

When the principal saw all of the cell phones, he confiscated them and told the students their parent's would have to pick them up.

What does confiscate mean?

- a) politely ask for something
- b) take something with authority
- c) give something back

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## TARGET WORD: conspire

Lvl 8

The two thieves conspired to rob the bank. They thought they would have a better chance of getting away if they worked together.

What does conspire mean?

- a) to complete a task alone
- b) to turn down an offer
- c) secretly make plans to do something

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## 21 Target Word: corroborate Lvl 8

I hoped my parents would corroborate the lie I told my teacher about my homework. If they told the truth I was sure I would receive an "F".

What does corroborate mean?

- a) lack support
- b) confirm or give support to something
- c) go against information

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## 22 Target Word: desolate Lvl 8

The deserted island was a very desolate place. I hoped I wouldn't get stuck there all by myself.

What does desolate mean?

- a) a place without people
- b) a type of rare animal
- c) a place full of people

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## 23 Target Word: despondent Lvl 8

The football team was despondent after the crushing loss on homecoming. It would take a lot of effort from the community to lift the player's spirits.

What does despondent mean?

- a) full of hope and excitement
- b) apathetic
- c) low spirits from loss of hope

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## 24 Target Word: elapse Lvl 8

Fifteen years elapsed before I saw my mom again. After I was born she put me up for adoption.

What does elapse mean?

- a) time standing still
- b) having nothing to do with time
- c) time that passes by

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TARGET WORD: embark

Lvl 8

Be packed and ready at 6:00 tomorrow morning so we can embark on our journey to the island.

What does embark mean?

- a) cancel a planned trip
- b) board a ship, aircraft, or other vehicle
- c) go against information

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26

TARGET WORD: encompass

Lvl 8

The police officer's report had to encompass all of the witnesses' reports, all of the evidence, and a summary of the events surrounding the crime. It was important he didn't leave anything out.

What does encompass mean?

- a) surround; hold within
- b) leave outside
- c) lack of information

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TARGET WORD: evolve

Lvl 8

After a few days the gossip evolved into a terrible untrue story.

What does evolve mean?

- a) lack of development
- b) develop gradually
- c) develop quickly

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TARGET WORD: excerpt

Lvl 8

This passage is an excerpt from my favorite book! I want you to see how great it is without having to read the whole book.

What does excerpt mean?

- a) short piece of music, song, writing, etc
- b) an entire manuscript
- c) a word

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## TARGET WORD: feasible

Lvl 8

If completing all of your responsibilities isn't feasible, you may need to give-up some of the responsibilities. Being that busy must be difficult.

What does feasible mean?

- a) something that is an inconvenience
- b) something done easily or conveniently
- c) something that can not be accomplished

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## TARGET WORD: gingerly

Lvl 8

When the lake froze over, Marcus gingerly stepped on the ice. He was testing it to see if it would hold his weight, before he started skating.

What does gingerly mean?

- a) done in a hasty careless manner
- b) not completed at all
- c) done in a careful or cautious manner

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## TARGET WORD: gullible

Lvl 8

The gullible substitute teacher believed the students when they told her they earned a party that afternoon. In actuality, they had not earned a party, they were in trouble for their behavior the previous day.

What does gullible mean?

- a) someone that is expectant
- b) someone easily convinced to believe
- c) someone that does not believe

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## TARGET WORD: imminent

Lvl 8

After watching the weather forecast and looking out the window, we knew the storm was imminent. The sky had turned black and you could see the lightening strikes.

What does imminent mean?

- a) something that will happen in the future
- b) something that will not happen
- c) something is about to happen

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TARGET WORD: impel

Lvl 8

Advertising teams hope their advertisements will impel us to buy their products.

What does impel mean?

- a) show a lack support
- b) force someone to do something
- c) convince someone to not do something

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34

TARGET WORD: imperative

Lvl 8

It is imperative that you return this permission slip tomorrow morning. If you don't return it you will not be allowed to go on the trip with us.

What does imperative mean?

- a) having no importance
- b) something you don't know if you want to do
- c) very important

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35

TARGET WORD: inaugurate

Lvl 8

After the president has been elected, we will inaugurate him. That makes it official.

What does inaugurate mean?

- a) formally admit someone into an office
- b) formally impeach someone from office
- c) teach new tricks

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36

TARGET WORD: integrate

Lvl 8

With the new state requirements, we have to find a way to integrate science into our other subjects.

What does integrate mean?

- a) combine more than one thing
- b) divide things into pieces
- c) teach new lessons

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## 37 Target Word: interrogate Lvl 8

When the police bring in a new suspect, they interrogate them, to find out more information about the crime.

What does interrogate mean?

- a) make assumptions without questioning
- b) charge with a crime
- c) formally ask a lot of questions

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## 38 Target Word: jurisdiction Lvl 8

Police officers need to be within their jurisdiction to make arrests. They aren't allowed to travel to other states and make arrests.

What does jurisdiction mean?

- a) having no boundaries
- b) a type of vehicle
- c) power to make legal decisions in an area

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## 39 Target Word: languish Lvl 8

The businessman decided to allow the bill to languish on his desk rather than pay it. He was broke and couldn't afford any other expenses right now.

What does languish mean?

- a) a long time spent in an unwanted situation while making no progress
- b) fulfilling responsibilities
- c) a loss of hope

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## 40 Target Word: lucrative Lvl 8

The businessman was constantly looking for a lucrative new adventure. He loved money and wanted to increase his ever-growing wealth.

What does lucrative mean?

- a) producing a lot of profit (money)
- b) finding a cause
- c) producing no profit (money)

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TARGET WORD: merge

Lvl 8

When the students realized their science projects were almost identical, they decided to merge the two projects. It's a good thing they enjoyed working together.

What does merge mean?

- a) divide into pieces
- b) discard
- c) combine things into one

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42

TARGET WORD: meticulous

Lvl 8

An accountant must be a very meticulous person. If they miss a single number or dollar it could be devastating for their client.

What does meticulous mean?

- a) careless; disregards details
- b) show attention to detail; very careful
- c) haphazardly

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43

TARGET WORD: mutiny

Lvl 8

The king decided to give up his throne rather than face a mutiny from the angry citizens. They did not approve of the decisions the king was making.

What does mutiny mean?

- a) a mutual understanding
- b) open rebellion against authority
- c) showing respect to authority figures

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44

TARGET WORD: novice

Lvl 8

The recent graduate is a novice in the world of law. The senior lawyers are spending time helping him adapt to his new job.

What does novice mean?

- a) a person who has been around a long time
- b) having nothing to do with time
- c) a new or inexperienced person

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TARGET WORD: **obsolete**

Lvl 8

With technological advancements, cassette tapes, VHS tapes, and VCRs have become obsolete.

What does obsolete mean?

- a) technological advances
- b) no longer used; out of date
- c) up to date; latest technology

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46

TARGET WORD: **pioneer**

Lvl 8

During the 1800s american pioneers migrated west, into unknown and unclaimed territories, to create new and better lives for themselves.

What does pioneer mean?

- a) a person who is first to explore an area
- b) a person who follows others
- c) a person who invented something

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47

TARGET WORD: **plagiarize**

Lvl 8

Sometimes, students turn in plagiarized papers because they don't have time to write an original paper. If they are caught they will likely receive an "F" and be suspended or expelled.

What does plagiarize mean?

- a) sharing information
- b) trying to pass someone else's work as your own
- c) creating original work

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48

TARGET WORD: **prevalent**

Lvl 8

During the holiday season, thefts of delivered packages are very prevalent. Last week my mother had a package stolen from the front porch.

What does prevalent mean?

- a) no longer used
- b) most frequent or common
- c) rarely found

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TARGET WORD: proprietor Lvl 8

The proprietor decided to close his store after realizing he was losing money instead of making money. As a business owner you have to make tough decisions sometimes.

What does proprietor mean?

- a) owner of a business or property
- b) a person who owns a car
- c) a person who understands business

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50

TARGET WORD: prudent Lvl 8

My parents made a prudent decision to pay for everything in cash, so they wouldn't build up a pile of debt.

What does prudent mean?

- a) having no cares for the future
- b) showing care and thought for the future
- c) things that happened in the past

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51

TARGET WORD: pseudonym Lvl 8

Benjamin Franklin used the pseudonym Richard Saunders, when he began publishing "Poor Richard's Almanac" in 1732.

What does pseudonym mean?

- a) anonymous; no author provided
- b) a famous person
- c) a false name often used by an author

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52

TARGET WORD: pungent Lvl 8

Several types of cheese, such as Limburger, are very pungent. You can smell them from far away.

What does pungent mean?

- a) unable to taste or smell
- b) has a very strong smell or taste
- c) has a very bland smell or taste

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TARGET WORD: rankle

Lvl 8

The decision to release the murderer from prison will certainly rankle the family of the victim. The victim's family wanted him to spend the rest of his life in prison.

What does rankle mean?

- a) causing a feeling of joy or love
- b) distasteful
- c) causing bitterness or irritation

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54

TARGET WORD: rebuff

Lvl 8

The rude woman will often rebuff invitations from people whom she thinks can not benefit her social status.

What does rebuff mean?

- a) accept something in a friendly manner
- b) reject someone or something in an unfriendly manner
- c) show appreciation for someone

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55

TARGET WORD: rebuke

Lvl 8

There is a report that three children are bullying other students. The teacher will rebuke the actions of the bullies.

What does rebuke mean?

- a) show approval
- b) have no emotion
- c) express severe disapproval

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56

TARGET WORD: reverberate

Lvl 8

The noise reverberated off the walls of the cave, when the children yelled.

What does reverberate mean?

- a) a loud single noise or sound
- b) noise repeated several times; an echo
- c) an absence of noise or sound

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TARGET WORD: succumb

Lvl 8

When I am on a diet, I have to resist the urge to succumb to the temptation of eating ice cream. That will ruin my diet efforts.

What does succumb mean?

- a) hold firm; not giving in
- b) annoyance
- c) failure to resist something; give in

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58

TARGET WORD: surmise

Lvl 8

Because the little boy likes to play with fire, we surmise that he caused the house to burn down.

What does surmise mean?

- a) believes something is true with no evidence
- b) have an abundance of evidence to support
- c) having no idea

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59

TARGET WORD: tedious

Lvl 8

Filing this huge stack of paperwork seems very tedious. I'm not sure I'll ever finish.

What does tedious mean?

- a) completion of a task
- b) task that is long, slow or dull
- c) task that is exciting

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60

TARGET WORD: theory

Lvl 8

The scientific theory was used to explain why oxygen burns when combined with a variety of substances.

What does theory mean?

- a) a lack of understanding
- b) system of ideas meant to explain something
- c) ideas used to dispute something

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TARGET WORD: tirade

Lvl 8

After the poor test scores came back, the teacher launched into a long tirade about the students lack of preparation and studying.

What does tirade mean?

- a) a pep talk to increase moral
- b) long angry speech full of criticism or blame
- c) a speech to give praise for actions

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62

TARGET WORD: trepidation

Lvl 8

The student was full of trepidation prior to the final examination. He was worried he had not studied enough.

What does trepidation mean?

- a) feeling of fear about something that may happen
- b) a removal of all fear
- c) a feeling that something will end well

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63

TARGET WORD: universal

Lvl 8

Loving others is generally a universal principle. You can find people who love others any where in the world.

What does universal mean?

- a) an emotion
- b) something for or done by all people
- c) something for or done by no one

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64

TARGET WORD: validate

Lvl 8

After researching, I was able to validate my fear that the large black spider was poisonous. I wish I had not been correct.

What does validate mean?

- a) check or prove accuracy of something
- b) disprove the accuracy of statements
- c) having no idea of accuracy

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Target Word: voracious

Lvl 8

I love books and tend to have a voracious attitude when it comes to reading. I can finish ten books in a month.

What does voracious mean?

- a) a fear of an activity
- b) anger towards the completion of an activity
- c) an eager approach to an activity

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What does abhor mean?

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## 2 TARGET WORD: advocate

Lvl 8

The new doctor is an advocate of healthy living. She tries to convince her patients to live healthy lifestyles so they will decrease the amount of medicine they take.

What does advocate mean?

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## 3 TARGET WORD: agile

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The man who won the marathon was agile. I couldn't believe he was able to run that far so quickly and still have energy.

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## 4 TARGET WORD: ambiguous

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The speaker's statement was ambiguous. Different people took her comment to mean different things.

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What does amiss mean?

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## 6 TARGET WORD: anarchy

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When the 8th grade teacher stepped into the hallway, the room turned into total anarchy. The teacher was very angry when she returned and saw the students behaving this way.

What does anarchy mean?

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## 7 TARGET WORD: anonymous

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The author of my favorite quote is anonymous. I wish I knew who wrote it so I could give them credit.

What does anonymous mean?

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## 8 TARGET WORD: anthology

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My teacher brought in her favorite anthology of poetry. British poetry is her favorite unit to teach.

What does anthology mean?

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TARGET WORD: apathy Lvl 8

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TARGET WORD: apprehend Lvl 8

The police apprehended the criminal when they saw him speeding away from the crime scene.

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The audacious athlete loved to jump from airplanes and zipline through the rainforest. He loved anything that was considered to be dangerous.

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TARGET WORD: benign

Lvl 8

Thankfully, the tumor turned out to be benign. We were terrified that it would be cancerous.

What does benign mean?

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TARGET WORD: boycott

Lvl 8

When we heard the t.v. station would not allow women to work there, we decided to boycott the station. They would not be getting any business from us.

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TARGET WORD: cache

Lvl 8

The treasure hunters were searching for the cache of jewels. There were rumors that hundreds of diamonds were buried together.

What does cache mean?

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TARGET WORD: capacious

Lvl 8

When they moved out of the hotel and into a new house it seemed capacious. They didn't have enough furniture to fill the house.

What does capacious mean?

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TARGET WORD: confiscate

Lvl 8

When the principal saw all of the cell phones, he confiscated them and told the students their parent's would have to pick them up.

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TARGET WORD: conspire

Lvl 8

The two thieves conspired to rob the bank. They thought they would have a better chance of getting away if they worked together.

What does conspire mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 21 TARGET WORD: corroborate Lvl 8

I hoped my parents would corroborate the lie I told my teacher about my homework. If they told the truth I was sure I would receive an "F".

What does corroborate mean?

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## 22 TARGET WORD: desolate Lvl 8

The deserted island was a very desolate place. I hoped I wouldn't get stuck there all by myself.

What does desolate mean?

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## 23 TARGET WORD: despondent Lvl 8

The football team was despondent after the crushing loss on homecoming. It would take a lot of effort from the community to lift the player's spirits.

What does despondent mean?

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## 24 TARGET WORD: elapse Lvl 8

Fifteen years elapsed before I saw my mom again. After I was born she put me up for adoption.

What does elapse mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25

TARGET WORD: **embark**

Lvl 8

Be packed and ready at 6:00 tomorrow morning so we can embark on our journey to the island.

What does embark mean?

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26

TARGET WORD: **encompass**

Lvl 8

The police officer's report had to encompass all of the witnesses' reports, all of the evidence, and a summary of the events surrounding the crime. It was important he didn't leave anything out.

What does encompass mean?

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27

TARGET WORD: **evolve**

Lvl 8

After a few days the gossip evolved into a terrible untrue story.

What does evolve mean?

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28

TARGET WORD: **excerpt**

Lvl 8

This passage is an excerpt from my favorite book! I want you to see how great it is without having to read the whole book.

What does excerpt mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29

TARGET WORD: feasible

Lvl 8

If completing all of your responsibilities isn't feasible, you may need to give-up some of the responsibilities. Being that busy must be difficult.

What does feasible mean?

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30

TARGET WORD: gingerly

Lvl 8

When the lake froze over, Marcus gingerly stepped on the ice. He was testing it to see if it would hold his weight, before he started skating.

What does gingerly mean?

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31

TARGET WORD: gullible

Lvl 8

The gullible substitute teacher believed the students when they told her they earned a party that afternoon. In actuality, they had not earned a party, they were in trouble for their behavior the previous day.

What does gullible mean?

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32

TARGET WORD: imminent

Lvl 8

After watching the weather forecast and looking out the window, we knew the storm was imminent. The sky had turned black and you could see the lightening strikes.

What does imminent mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: impel

Lvl 8

Advertising teams hope their advertisements will impel us to buy their products.

What does impel mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: imperative

Lvl 8

It is imperative that you return this permission slip tomorrow morning. If you don't return it you will not be allowed to go on the trip with us.

What does imperative mean?

© The Speech Owl

35

TARGET WORD: inaugurate

Lvl 8

After the president has been elected, we will inaugurate him. That makes it official.

What does inaugurate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: integrate

Lvl 8

With the new state requirements, we have to find a way to integrate science into our other subjects.

What does integrate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37

TARGET WORD: interrogate

Lvl 8

When the police bring in a new suspect, they interrogate them, to find out more information about the crime.

What does interrogate mean?

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38

TARGET WORD: jurisdiction

Lvl 8

Police officers need to be within their jurisdiction to make arrests. They aren't allowed to travel to other states and make arrests.

What does jurisdiction mean?

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39

TARGET WORD: languish

Lvl 8

The businessman decided to allow the bill to languish on his desk rather than pay it. He was broke and couldn't afford any other expenses right now.

What does languish mean?

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40

TARGET WORD: lucrative

Lvl 8

The businessman was constantly looking for a lucrative new adventure. He loved money and wanted to increase his ever-growing wealth.

What does lucrative mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

41

TARGET WORD: merge Lvl 8

When the students realized their science projects were almost identical, they decided to merge the two projects. It's a good thing they enjoyed working together.

What does merge mean?

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42

TARGET WORD: meticulous Lvl 8

An accountant must be a very meticulous person. If they miss a single number or dollar it could be devastating for their client.

What does meticulous mean?

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43

TARGET WORD: mutiny Lvl 8

The king decided to give up his throne rather than face a mutiny from the angry citizens. They did not approve of the decisions the king was making.

What does mutiny mean?

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44

TARGET WORD: novice Lvl 8

The recent graduate is a novice in the world of law. The senior lawyers are spending time helping him adapt to his new job.

What does novice mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: **obsolete**

Lvl 8

With technological advancements, cassette tapes, VHS tapes, and VCRs have become obsolete.

What does obsolete mean?

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46

TARGET WORD: **pioneer**

Lvl 8

During the 1800s american pioneers migrated west, into unknown and unclaimed territories, to create new and better lives for themselves.

What does pioneer mean?

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47

TARGET WORD: **plagiarize**

Lvl 8

Sometimes, students turn in plagiarized papers because they don't have time to write an original paper. If they are caught they will likely receive an "F" and be suspended or expelled.

What does plagiarize mean?

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48

TARGET WORD: **prevalent**

Lvl 8

During the holiday season, thefts of delivered packages are very prevalent. Last week my mother had a package stolen from the front porch.

What does prevalent mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

49

TARGET WORD: proprietor Lvl 8

The proprietor decided to close his store after realizing he was losing money instead of making money. As a business owner you have to make tough decisions sometimes.

What does proprietor mean?

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50

TARGET WORD: prudent Lvl 8

My parents made a prudent decision to pay for everything in cash, so they wouldn't build up a pile of debt.

What does prudent mean?

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51

TARGET WORD: pseudonym Lvl 8

Benjamin Franklin used the pseudonym Richard Saunders, when he began publishing "Poor Richard's Almanac" in 1732.

What does pseudonym mean?

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52

TARGET WORD: pungent Lvl 8

Several types of cheese, such as Limburger, are very pungent. You can smell them from far away.

What does pungent mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

53

TARGET WORD: rankle

Lvl 8

The decision to release the murderer from prison will certainly rankle the family of the victim. The victim's family wanted him to spend the rest of his life in prison.

What does rankle mean?

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54

TARGET WORD: rebuff

Lvl 8

The rude woman will often rebuff invitations from people whom she thinks can not benefit her social status.

What does rebuff mean?

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55

TARGET WORD: rebuke

Lvl 8

There is a report that three children are bullying other students. The teacher will rebuke the actions of the bullies.

What does rebuke mean?

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56

TARGET WORD: reverberate

Lvl 8

The noise reverberated off the walls of the cave, when the children yelled.

What does reverberate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

57

TARGET WORD: succumb

Lvl 8

When I am on a diet, I have to resist the urge to succumb to the temptation of eating ice cream. That will ruin my diet efforts.

What does succumb mean?

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58

TARGET WORD: surmise

Lvl 8

Because the little boy likes to play with fire, we surmise that he caused the house to burn down.

What does surmise mean?

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59

TARGET WORD: tedious

Lvl 8

Filing this huge stack of paperwork seems very tedious. I'm not sure I'll ever finish.

What does tedious mean?

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60

TARGET WORD: theory

Lvl 8

The scientific theory was used to explain why oxygen burns when combined with a variety of substances.

What does theory mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

61

TARGET WORD: tirade

Lvl 8

After the poor test scores came back, the teacher launched into a long tirade about the students lack of preparation and studying.

What does tirade mean?

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62

TARGET WORD: trepidation

Lvl 8

The student was full of trepidation prior to the final examination. He was worried he had not studied enough.

What does trepidation mean?

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63

TARGET WORD: universal

Lvl 8

Loving others is generally a universal principle. You can find people who love others any where in the world.

What does universal mean?

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64

TARGET WORD: validate

Lvl 8

After researching, I was able to validate my fear that the large black spider was poisonous. I wish I had not been correct.

What does validate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2A

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

65

Target Word: voracious

Lvl 8

I love books and tend to have a voracious attitude when it comes to reading. I can finish ten books in a month.

What does voracious mean?

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Target Word: \_\_\_\_\_

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 1 TARGET WORD: abhor

Lvl 8

I abhor violence! I feel that everyone should find a way to get along with one another.

What does abhor mean?

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## 2 TARGET WORD: advocate

Lvl 8

The outspoken actor is an advocate for the death penalty. She tells everyone, she believes in an eye for an eye.

What does advocate mean?

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## 3 TARGET WORD: agile

Lvl 8

You must be agile to be an olympic runner.

What does agile mean?

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## 4 TARGET WORD: ambiguous

Lvl 8

Make sure your description is specific instead of ambiguous. If it isn't specific we won't know what you are talking about.

What does ambiguous mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

5 Target Word: amiss

Lvl 8

When things appear amiss at a bank, the police are called immediately.

What does amiss mean?

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6 Target Word: anarchy

Lvl 8

During the protest, the police were responsible for maintaining control so anarchy did not ensue.

What does anarchy mean?

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7 Target Word: anonymous

Lvl 8

The author refused to release their name because they wanted to remain anonymous.

What does anonymous mean?

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8 Target Word: anthology

Lvl 8

For my birthday, I received an anthology of books by Emily Dickinson.

What does anthology mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

9

TARGET WORD: apathy Lvl 8

The government officials were concerned about the election turn out, due to voter apathy.

What does apathy mean?

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10

TARGET WORD: apprehend Lvl 8

Agencies world wide are trying to apprehend the international jewel thief.

What does apprehend mean?

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11

TARGET WORD: assimilate Lvl 8

When you move to a new country you have to quickly assimilate the new language into your vocabulary.

What does assimilate mean?

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12

TARGET WORD: assumption Lvl 8

After seeing all of the water on the floor, I made the assumption that someone forgot to turn the water off.

What does assumption mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

13

TARGET WORD: atrocity

Lvl 8

Since the author witnessed the war first hand, he had no trouble describing the atrocity of the event.

What does atrocity mean?

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14

TARGET WORD: audacious

Lvl 8

Many people believe the most successful people are those who are audacious and not afraid to take risks.

What does audacious mean?

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15

TARGET WORD: benign

Lvl 8

When you find a suspicious mole you should check with your dermatologist to make sure it is benign and not cancerous.

What does benign mean?

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16

TARGET WORD: boycott

Lvl 8

Many people are going to boycott the new restaurant until they agree to pay their servers a fair wage.

What does boycott mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

17

TARGET WORD: cache

Lvl 8

The pirates buried their cache of gold and jewels somewhere on the island.

What does cache mean?

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18

TARGET WORD: capacious

Lvl 8

The open floor plan of the house made it seem very capacious.

What does capacious mean?

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19

TARGET WORD: confiscate

Lvl 8

If your teacher finds out you brought your tablet to school she may confiscate it. The rules state that you may not have electronic devices.

What does confiscate mean?

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20

TARGET WORD: conspire

Lvl 8

The two teenagers conspired to steal their parent's car.

What does conspire mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

## 21 TARGET WORD: corroborate Lvl 8

After watching the video evidence, the referees agreed that it corroborated the claim the player had been targeted.

What does corroborate mean?

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## 22 TARGET WORD: desolate Lvl 8

When the stores closed for the night, the shopping center became desolate.

What does desolate mean?

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## 23 TARGET WORD: despondent Lvl 8

The man on the talk show was despondent about his son's death. He wanted to make sure no one else had to endure what he has.

What does despondent mean?

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## 24 TARGET WORD: elapse Lvl 8

Two days elapsed between the first and second crimes.

What does elapse mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

25

TARGET WORD: embark

Lvl 8

After graduation, many students will begin college and embark on a new chapter in their lives.

What does embark mean?

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26

TARGET WORD: encompass

Lvl 8

Our trip across Europe, will encompass all of the places we've been dreaming about going.

What does encompass mean?

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27

TARGET WORD: evolve

Lvl 8

As more research was completed, the theory continued to evolve.

What does evolve mean?

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28

TARGET WORD: excerpt

Lvl 8

Since there were a few minutes left in class, Mrs. Jones could only read an excerpt from the book.

What does excerpt mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

29

TARGET WORD: feasible

Lvl 8

Working three jobs while you are trying to finish school is just not feasible.

What does feasible mean?

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30

TARGET WORD: gingerly

Lvl 8

After falling from the horse, she gingerly tried to stand on her broken foot.

What does gingerly mean?

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31

TARGET WORD: gullible

Lvl 8

The gullible woman wired \$1,000 to the fake charity.

What does gullible mean?

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32

TARGET WORD: imminent

Lvl 8

When you see the secret service, you know the president's arrival is imminent.

What does imminent mean?

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Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

33

TARGET WORD: impel

Lvl 8

If it begins to storm, the weather will impel us to cancel the remainder of the football game.

What does impel mean?

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34

TARGET WORD: imperative

Lvl 8

It is imperative that you do not forget to change the oil in the car. If you forget it will eventually destroy your car's engine.

What does imperative mean?

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35

TARGET WORD: inaugurate

Lvl 8

The president will be inaugurated into office in January.

What does inaugurate mean?

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36

TARGET WORD: integrate

Lvl 8

It is important to try integrating all students into the classroom, regardless of their disabilities.

What does integrate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

37 TARGET WORD: interrogate Lvl 8

My parents interrogated me after they heard about the prank. I can't believe they think I had something to do with it.

What does interrogate mean?

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38 TARGET WORD: jurisdiction Lvl 8

Before the use of computers, the local police officers had a difficult time finding out what was going on in other jurisdictions.

What does jurisdiction mean?

© The Speech Owl

39 TARGET WORD: languish Lvl 8

During spring break, many students and teachers choose to languish in bed all day.

What does languish mean?

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40 TARGET WORD: lucrative Lvl 8

The speech therapist left her job in the school system and opened a private practice. She hoped the new practice would be very lucrative.

What does lucrative mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

41

TARGET WORD: merge

Lvl 8

We merged the blue and red paint into one container, creating purple paint.

What does merge mean?

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42

TARGET WORD: meticulous

Lvl 8

My mom is very meticulous. When she cleans the house there is not a spot of dust to be found.

What does meticulous mean?

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43

TARGET WORD: mutiny

Lvl 8

The pirates were outraged when the treasure wasn't shared with them so they planned a mutiny against the captain.

What does mutiny mean?

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44

TARGET WORD: novice

Lvl 8

The art class was geared toward novice artists. The description said they would learn basic techniques.

What does novice mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

45

TARGET WORD: obsolete

Lvl 8

Emails and text messages have essentially made sending hand written letters obsolete.

What does obsolete mean?

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46

TARGET WORD: pioneer

Lvl 8

Raymond Carhart is considered to be a "father of audiology". He is one of the pioneers in that field of study.

What does pioneer mean?

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47

TARGET WORD: plagiarize

Lvl 8

When two different students turned in the exact same paper, it became evident that at least one of the papers was plagiarized.

What does plagiarize mean?

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48

TARGET WORD: prevalent

Lvl 8

Deer are prevalent in our area of the county. You can find a deer almost anywhere you look.

What does prevalent mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

49

TARGET WORD: proprietor Lvl 8

The museum proprietor is looking for new artists to bring into his gallery.

What does proprietor mean?

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50

TARGET WORD: prudent Lvl 8

Playing golf in a lightening storm is not a prudent decision. You increase your chances of being struck by lightening.

What does prudent mean?

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51

TARGET WORD: pseudonym Lvl 8

Many famous people will use a pseudonym when they check into hotels so no one can find them.

What does pseudonym mean?

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52

TARGET WORD: pungent Lvl 8

The pungent smell of sulfur resembles rotten eggs.

What does pungent mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

53

TARGET WORD: rankle

Lvl 8

The boy's laziness was beginning to rankle his sister. She was sick of having to do everything for him.

What does rankle mean?

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54

TARGET WORD: rebuff

Lvl 8

The woman rebuffed the man's invitation to lunch. She was not interested in him.

What does rebuff mean?

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55

TARGET WORD: rebuke

Lvl 8

The girl was already suspended for skipping school, so I decided not to rebuke her for forgetting to do her homework.

What does rebuke mean?

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56

TARGET WORD: reverberate

Lvl 8

Sound will reverberate off the walls of an empty room or building.

What does reverberate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

57

TARGET WORD: succumb

Lvl 8

Don't succumb to the temptations of cheating! Make sure you study!

What does succumb mean?

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58

TARGET WORD: surmise

Lvl 8

When Peter ate the entire bag of chips and three sandwiches, I could surmise that he was starving.

What does surmise mean?

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59

TARGET WORD: tedious

Lvl 8

I'm glad you enjoy knitting, but I find it boring and tedious.

What does tedious mean?

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60

TARGET WORD: theory

Lvl 8

People have created many theories to explain the weather patterns we are seeing this year.

What does theory mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

61

TARGET WORD: tirade

Lvl 8

When my sister did not get the toys she wanted she launched into a long tirade. She screamed and told everyone why she had to have those toys.

What does tirade mean?

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62

TARGET WORD: trepidation

Lvl 8

Although I was filled with trepidation, I confronted my fear of snakes and removed the one on my sidewalk.

What does trepidation mean?

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63

TARGET WORD: universal

Lvl 8

Putting your hands around your throat is a universal symbol for choking.

What does universal mean?

© The Speech Owl

64

TARGET WORD: validate

Lvl 8

The findings were validated by numerous surveys as well as other research.

What does validate mean?

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# LEVEL 8 TIER 2 VOCABULARY

Set 2B

Directions: Read the tier 2 word on each card. Underline or highlight the context clues you think are important. Use the context clues to determine the meaning of the tier 2 word.

65

Target Word: voracious

Lvl 8

After not eating for days, I had a voracious hunger and ate everything in sight.

What does voracious mean?

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Target Word: \_\_\_\_\_

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| 20) C | 42) b | 64) a |
| 21) b | 43) b | 65) C |
| 22) a | 44) C |       |

## Set 2 a&b

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- 1) have disgust or hatred toward something
- 2) publicly support a certain cause
- 3) ability to move quickly and easily
- 4) more than one meaning; open to interpretation
- 5) not quite right; out of place
- 6) disorder due to lack of authority
- 7) unknown name; not identified
- 8) published collection of poems or other writings
- 9) lack of interest or concern
- 10) arrest for a crime
- 11) take in information and understand fully
- 12) accepted as truth without having proof
- 13) extremely cruel act including physical harm
- 14) willing to take extremely bold risks
- 15) gentle; not harmful
- 16) cutting ties with something as a protest
- 17) a collection of similar items in a hidden place
- 18) a lot of space; roomy
- 19) take something with authority
- 20) secretly plan to commit a negative act together
- 21) confirm or give support to something
- 22) a place that is empty of people
- 23) low spirits from a loss of courage or hope

# LEVEL 8 ANSWER KEY

## Set 2 a&b CON't

(pages 155-188)

- 24) time that passes by
- 25) board a ship, aircraft, vehicle; begin something
- 26) surround; hold within
- 27) develop gradually
- 28) a short piece of text, song, movie, etc
- 29) something done easily or conveniently
- 30) done in a careful or cautious way
- 31) someone easily convinced to believe something
- 32) something that is about to happen
- 33) force someone to do something
- 34) very important; crucial
- 35) formally admit someone to an office
- 36) combine things so they become whole
- 37) formally ask a lot of questions
- 38) official power to make legal decisions
- 39) a long time in a situation without making progress
- 40) something that produces lots of money
- 41) combine things into one
- 42) show attention to detail; very careful
- 43) open rebellion against authority
- 44) a new or inexperienced person
- 45) no longer used; out of date
- 46) person who is 1st to explore an area
- 47) try to pass someone else's work off as your own
- 48) most frequent or common
- 49) owner of a business or property
- 50) show care and thought for the future
- 51) false name, often given by an author
- 52) a very strong smell or taste
- 53) cause bitterness or irritation
- 54) reject someone or something in an unfriendly way
- 55) express severe disapproval of someone because of their actions
- 56) an echo; noise repeated several times
- 57) failure to resist; give in
- 58) believe something is true without evidence
- 59) task that is long, slow, dull; monotonous
- 60) system of ideas to explain something

# LEVEL 8 ANSWER KEY

## Set 2 a&b CON't

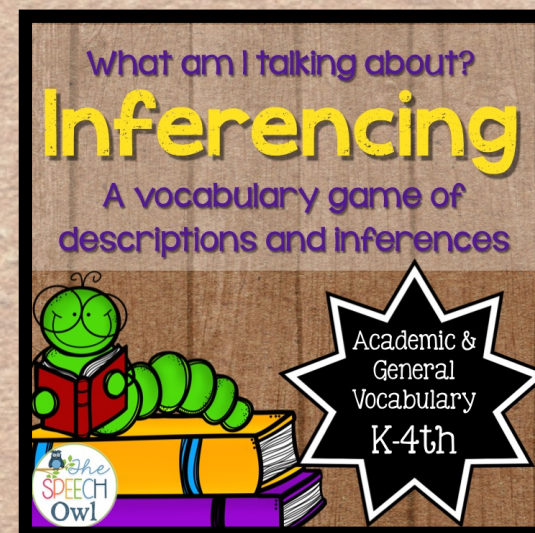
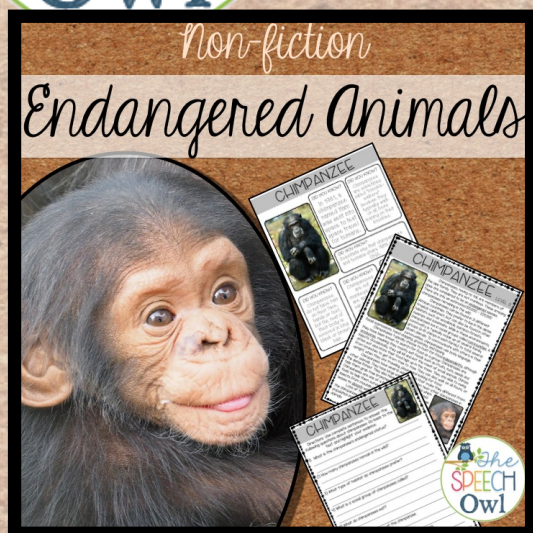
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- G1) long angry speech full of blame or criticism
- G2) feeling fear or agitation about something that may happen
- G3) something that is for or done by all people
- G4) check or prove the accuracy of something
- G5) an eager approach to an activity





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