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| **Directions**: Review the word, definition, synonyms, antonyms, and example sentence each day. Then, complete the required “Vocabulary Visionary” activities. See the explanations of each one below. |

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| **Required:** This packet is a **summative grade** and should be an easy way for you to earn test points. Once you are familiar with the word, you should complete the “Detail Detective” and another “Vocabulary Visionary” activity in the space provided. |

**Vocabulary Visionary Activity Menu**

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| **Detail Detective**: Write a detailed "explaining" sentence that makes use of the word in such a context that someone could guess the word's meaning. An *explaining* sentence has an action verb, not a *telling* verb, like *was, is, are, am, were, be, been*.  “The young cop’s skin was ashen and pale after he left the scene of the gruesome triple homicide.” | **Elaborate Acrostic**: Write an acrostic poem or acrostic sentence based on all the word's letters; the poem/sentence must have something to do with the word's meaning.  **Loathe**:  “Leslie, our angry terrier, hates everything” | **“Figure” it out**: Create a stick figure drawing that represents the vocabulary word along with a dialogue bubble or caption about the word; the bubble or caption must correctly use the word.    She crept stealthily through the yard, careful not to step on a twig or dried leaf, as she quietly approached the house. |
| **Haiku Poem**: Write a haiku that contains and explains the word.  Amicable is (5 syllables)  Smiling pleasantly at the (7 syllables)  Lonely little girl. (5 syllables) | **Alliteration Sentence**: Write a sentence for the vocabulary word that uses at least four examples of alliteration; the sentence must have something to do with the word’s meaning.  **Gilded:**  With gilded sword sparkling gold in the sunlight, he attacked the gluttonous lion before it gorged on the beast. | **“Take Two” Rhyming Couplet:** Write a rhyming couplet that uses and explains the word.  She looked at me dazed and confused  I did not laugh as I wasn’t amused  Why didn’t she understand me? |
| **Personified Sentence**: Write a personified description of a character whose surname is the vocabulary word. The description must connect the word's meaning to the "person's" personality or job.  Persnickety stuck her pert little nose in the air as she glared at the small and dirty child. “I don’t play with filthy, poor children!” she said in a huff and stalked off in her Jimmy Choo ballet slippers clutching her pink Prada purse. | **Metaphor Poem:** Write at least a two-stanza poem that uses your vocabulary word as a metaphor and then further explains how the vocabulary word is that metaphor. If my vocabulary word is capitulate, for example, the you could write:  “Capitulate is the shrug of the shoulders your father does when giving in to where mom wants to go to dinner.  Capitulate is the white flag  tentatively waving in the breeze  above the battered and beaten army.” | **Simile Poem:** Write at least a two-stanza poem that uses your vocabulary word as a simile and then further illustrates how the vocabulary word is that simile.  “Avarice  Is like a spoiled child  Always demanding, grabbing, and hoarding  All of mom’s freshly baked cookies.  Avarice  Is like a vacuum  It eventually sucks  All the fun out of life and leaves you surrounded by the filth of yesterday’s tedious efforts.” |

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| **Acoustic:** (adjective) of or relating to sound or to the sense of hearing | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The warehouse was renovated into a trendy restaurant but the industrial features affected the **acoustic** quality making it hard to hear. | |
| **Synonyms**: none | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Adverse:** (adjective) acting against or causing harm | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Some medicines have such **adverse** side effects it makes you wonder if they are worth taking at all. | |
| **Synonyms**: harmful, detrimental, wicked | **Antonyms**: beneficial, helpful, advantageous |
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| **Auditory:** (adjective) of, relating to, or experienced through the sense of hearing | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Brian doesn’t take notes during history lecture because he is an **auditory** learner and can remember everything the professor says. | |
| **Synonyms**: heard | **Antonyms**: soundless |
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| **Cardiovascular:** (adjective) relating to the heart and blood vessels | |
| **Sample Sentence**: I was concerned for my grandma’s **cardiovascular** health when her doctor told her she was at risk for a heart attack. | |
| **Synonyms**: none | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Decibel:** (noun) a unit for measuring how loud a sound is | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The spaceship was so many **decibels** loud when it launched that the engineer had to wear special earplugs. | |
| **Synonyms**: none | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Diminish:** (verb) to make smaller in amount, volume, or extent | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Many school board officials are asking to **diminish** the number of standardized tests students must complete. | |
| **Synonyms**: deplete, decrease, downsize | **Antonyms**: inflate, dilate, supplement |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** |
| **Emit:** (verb) to throw or give off | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The coal factory **emitted** a large cloud of stinky black smoke. | |
| **Synonyms**: discharge, emanate, release | **Antonyms**: absorb, inhale, soak |
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| **Fatigue:** (verb) to use up all the physical energy of | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Many students and teachers would agree that double block periods **fatigue** them. | |
| **Synonyms**: drain, exhaust, frazzle | **Antonyms**: energize, strengthen, invigorate |
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| **Warrant:** (verb) to prove to be reasonable | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Wanting to look cool in front of your friends doesn’t **warrant** breaking the law. | |
| **Synonyms**: authorize, approve, certify | **Antonyms**: denial, refusal, rejection |
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| **Impair:** (verb) to reduce the effectiveness, or perfection of | |
| **Sample Sentence**: It is illegal and unsafe to drive a car while **impaired** by drugs or alcohol. | |
| **Synonyms**: break, compromise, damage | **Antonyms**: repair, rebuild, renovate |
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| **Induce:** (verb) to be the cause of | |
| **Sample Sentence**: After suffering from a week of insomnia, Laurie tried meditation and yoga to **induce** sleep. | |
| **Synonyms**: produce, invoke, catalyze | **Antonyms**: control, prevent, impede |
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| **Irreversible:** (adjective) not capable of being repaired, regained, or undone | | |
| **Sample Sentence**: A stroke can cause **irreversible** damage to your brain and motor skills. | | |
| **Synonyms**: unrecoverable, irredeemable, irreparable | | **Antonyms**: corrected, fixed, recovered |
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| **Lethal:** (adjective) likely to cause or capable of causing death | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Romeo sought a **lethal** poison after hearing that his beloved Juliet had died. | |
| **Synonyms**: deathly, fatal, deadly | **Antonyms**: corrective, restorative, safe |
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| **Mandate:** (noun) the granting of power to perform various acts or duties | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The governor of a state has the **mandate** to overturn an execution warrant for an inmate on death row. | |
| **Synonyms**: authorization, license | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Ordinances:** (noun) a rule of conduct or action laid down by a governing authority and especially a legislature | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The city **ordinances** specifically state that loud music must not be played any later than 10 pm and is punishable by a $500 fine. | |
| **Synonyms**: act, bill, law | **Antonyms**: none |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** |
| **Physiological:** (adjective) characteristic of or appropriate to an organism’s healthy or normal functioning | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Regular exercise is an important part of maintaining your **physiological** health. | |
| **Synonyms**: none | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Pollutants:** (noun) something that is or that makes something impure | |
| **Sample Sentence**: New emissions requirements regulate the amount of **pollutants** that are allowed to come from a vehicle. | |
| **Synonyms**: contaminant, impurity | **Antonyms**: filter, purifier |
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| **Prone:** (adjective) having a tendency to be or act in a certain way | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Mary was so accident-**prone** and clumsy that her mother often joked she had two left feet. | |
| **Synonyms**: given, inclined | **Antonyms**: loath, unwilling |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** |
| **Psychiatric:** (adjective) dealing with the mental, emotional, or behavioral disorders | |
| **Sample Sentence**: **Psychiatric** doctors often refer to the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders to help determine a way to help their patients. | |
| **Synonyms**: none | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Tendency:** (noun) an established pattern of behavior | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Jane had a **tendency** to chew her fingernails when she became nervous or anxious—a habit that often led to illness. | |
| **Synonyms**: routine, trend, propensity | **Antonyms**: dislike, neutrality, indifference |
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| **Sophisticated:** (adjective) having a wide and refined knowledge of the world, especially from personal experience | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Amal Clooney is reputed to be **sophisticated** because she has dual citizenship, and is a successful international lawyer and human rights activist. | |
| **Synonyms**: cosmopolitan, smart, worldly | **Antonyms**: inexperienced, uncultured, unknowing |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** |
| **Sustain:** (verb) to supply with nourishment | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Aunt Mickey cooked enough food on Christmas to **sustain** an army barracks. | |
| **Synonyms**: nourish, nurture | **Antonyms**: none |
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| **Unduly:** (adverb) beyond a normal or acceptable limit | |
| **Sample Sentence**: At 19 trillion dollars, the United States **unduly** spends and therefore has an excessive amount of national debt. | |
| **Synonyms**: excessively, overly | **Antonyms**: deficiently, inadequately, insufficiently |
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| **Vulnerable:** (adjective) being in a situation where one is likely to meet with harm | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The car was parked in a **vulnerable** spot next to a forest during the hurricane. | |
| **Synonyms**: endangered, exposed | **Antonyms**: guarded, protected, shielded |
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| **Cantankerous:** (adjective) irritable; difficult to deal with | |
| **Sample Sentence**: “She was conscious to the last, almost. Conscious,” he smiled, “and **cantankerous**.” | |
| **Synonyms**: cranky, grumpy, quarrelsome | **Antonyms**: happy, cheerful, pleasant |
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| **Feeble:** (adjective) lacking strength | |
| **Sample Sentence**: When we ran to the backyard, it was covered with a **feeble** layer of soggy snow. | |
| **Synonyms**: sickly, weak, decrepit | **Antonyms**: healthy, fit |
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| **Irk:** (verb) to annoy | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Jem’s free dispensation of my pledge **irked** me, but previous noontime minutes were ticking away. | |
| **Synonyms**: irritate, rile, vex | **Antonyms**: assist, aid, please |
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| **Perplexed:** (adjective) puzzled, confused | |
| **Sample Sentence**: When she saw my **perplexity**, Miss Maudie tried to explain the issue more clearly. | |
| **Synonyms**: puzzled, uncertain, bewildered | **Antonyms**: certain, clear, sure |
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| **Reluctant:** (adjective) unwilling | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Someone was punching me, but I was **reluctant** to take my eyes from the people below us, and from the image of Atticus’s lonely walk down the aisle. | |
| **Synonyms**: hesitant, shy, cautious | **Antonyms**: careless, confident, heedless |
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| **Intolerant:** (adjective) not respecting beliefs, opinions, etc. different from one’s own | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Moving past **intolerance** is a theme of Harper Lee’s novel To Kill a Mockingbird. | |
| **Synonyms**: close-minded, biased, bigoted | **Antonyms**: fair, impartial |
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| **Malignant:** (adjective) very dangerous or harmful in influence or effect | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Boo Radley’s insane fingers picking the wire to pieces; the chinaberry trees were **malignant**, hovering, alive. | |
| **Synonyms**: lethal, deadly, fatal | **Antonyms**: harmless, invigorating |
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| **Viscous:** (adjective) having a relatively high resistance to flow | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Occasionally it would say, “Pt,” like some **viscous** substance coming to a boil. | |
| **Synonyms**: gooey, slimy, syrupy | **Antonyms**: dry, unsticky |
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| **Palliation:** (noun) something that relieves, or lessons without curing | |
| **Sample Sentence**: She was a less than satisfactory source of **palliation**, but she did give Jem a hot biscuit-and-butter. | |
| **Synonyms**: comfort, mollification, balm | **Antonyms**: aggravation, hindrance |
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| **Unprecedented:** (adjective) completely new and never having happened before; historic | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The number of protestors was **unprecedented**. | |
| **Synonyms**: original, unusual, uncommon | **Antonyms**: common, customary |
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| **Teeming:** (adjective) abundantly filled (usually with living organisms) | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Doorknobs are not as clean as they look and are often **teeming** with germs. | |
| **Synonyms**: swarming, brimming | **Antonyms**: empty, lacking |
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| **Acrimonious:** (adjective) bitter in nature, speech, behavior, etc. | | |
| **Sample Sentence**: We could tell, however, when debate became more **acrimonious** than professional, but this was from watching lawyers other than our father. | | |
| **Synonyms**: cranky, petulant, belligerent | **Antonyms**: kind, helping | |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** | |
| **Contemptuous:** (adjective) showing or expressing dislike | | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The **contemptuous** students were referred to Peace Team to learn conflict resolution. | | |
| **Synonyms**: insulting, disrespectful, condescending | | **Antonyms**: flattering, praising, polite |
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| **Impudent:** (adjective) of, relating to, or characterized by bold behavior | |
| **Sample Sentence**: After being **impudent** to his mom, Randall was grounded for being disrespectful and back-talking. | |
| **Synonyms**: sassy, brazen, audacious | **Antonyms**: humble, modest |
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| **Unmitigated:** (adjective) not meeting the standards | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Administration determined my lesson was **unmitigated** because it didn’t meet Common Core Standards. | |
| **Synonyms**: unqualified, unadulterated | **Antonyms**: imperfect, indefinite |
| **Detail Detective:** | **Vocabulary Visionary:** |
| **Volition:** (noun) a choice or decision made by the will | |
| **Sample Sentence**: I went to college to pursue a teaching degree by my own **volition***.* | |
| **Synonyms**: desire, choice, accord | **Antonyms**: refusal |
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| **Perpetrate:** (verb) to do something unacceptable | |
| **Sample Sentence**: You are **perpetrating** academic theft when you plagiarize. | |
| **Synonyms**: commit, carry out, execute | **Antonyms**: stop, halt |
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| **Remorse:** (noun) deep and painful regret for wrongdoing | |
| **Sample Sentence**: Calpurnia revived a series of rusty threats that moved Jem to little **remorse**, and she sailed up the front steps with her classic, “If Mr. Finch don’t wear you out, I will.” | |
| **Synonyms**: guilt, regret, contrition | **Antonyms**: indifference, good conscience |
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| **Spurious:** (adjective) not from the claimed, pretended, or proper source | |
| **Sample Sentence**: The rural children who could, usually brought clippings from what they called, “The Grit Paper,” a publication **spurious** in the eyes of Miss Gates, our teacher. | |
| **Synonyms**: false, phony, bogus | **Antonyms**: genuine, real, valid |
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| **Notoriety:** (noun) the state of being well-known but not in a good way | |
| **Sample Sentence**: I suppose his brief burst of fame brought on a briefer burst of industry, but his job lasted only as long as his **notoriety**: Mr. Ewell found himself as forgotten as Tom Robinson. | |
| **Synonyms**: fame, infamy | **Antonyms**: anonymity, obscurity |
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| **Turmoil:** (noun) a state of great commotion, confusion, or disturbance | |
| **Sample Sentence**: His age was beginning to show, his one sign of inner **turmoil**, the strong line of his jaw melted a little, one became aware of telltale creases forming under his ears. | |
| **Synonyms**: unrest, riot, strife | **Antonyms**: calm, composed, ordered |
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