

Vocabulary List 1

1. adulterate – (v.) to corrupt
2. ambidextrous – (adj.) able to use both hands equally well
3. augment – (v.) to make larger, increase
4. bereft – (adj.) deprived of; made unhappy through a loss
5. deploy – (v.) to position or arrange
6. dour -- (adj.) stern, unyielding; gloomy, ill-humored
7. fortitude – (n.) courage in facing difficulties
8. gape – (v.) to stare with open mouth; to open wide
9. gibe – (v.) to utter taunting words
10. guise – (n.) a cover, mask, false appearance

List 2

1. insidious – (adj.) intended to entrap or deceive
2. intimation – (n.) a hint or indirect suggestion
3. opulent – (adj.) wealthy, luxurious
4. pliable – (adj.) easily bent; flexible; easily influenced
5. reiterate – (n.) to say again, repeat
6. stolid – (adj.) not easily moved mentally or emotionally; dull, unresponsive
7. tentative – (adj.) experimental in nature; uncertain, hesitant
8. unkempt – (adj.) not combed; untidy; not properly maintained; unpolished; rude
9. verbatim – (adj.) word for word; exactly as written or spoken
10. warily – (adv.) cautiously, with great care

List 3

1. adroit – (adj.) skillful, expert in the use of the hands or mind
2. amicable – (adj.) peaceable, friendly
3. averse – (adj.) having deep-seated distaste; opposed, unwilling
4. belligerent – (adj.) given to fighting, warlike; combative, aggressive
5. benevolent – (adj.) kindly, charitable
6. cursory – (adj.) hasty, not thorough
7. duplicity – (n.) treachery, deceitfulness
8. extol – (v.) to praise extravagantly
9. feasible – (adj.) possible, able to be done
10. grimace – (n.) a wry face, facial distortion (v.) to make a wry face

List 4

1. holocaust – (n.) a large-scale destruction
2. impervious – (adj.) not affected or hurt by; admitting of no passage
3. impetus – (n.) a moving force, impulse, stimulus
4. jeopardy – (n.) danger
5. meticulous – (adj.) extremely careful; particular about details
6. nostalgia – (n.) a longing for the past; homesickness
7. quintessence – (n.) the purest essence or form of something; the most typical example
8. regress – (v.) to move backward; to return to an earlier condition
9. scrutinize – (v.) to examine closely
10. tepid – (adj.) lukewarm; unenthusiastic

List 5

1. adversary – (n.) an enemy, opponent
2. alienate – (v.) to turn away; to make indifferent or hostile
3. artifice – (n.) a skillful or ingenious device; a clever trick
4. coerce – (v.) to compel, to force
5. craven – (adj.) cowardly
6. culinary – (adj.) of or related to cooking or the kitchen
7. delete – (v.) to erase, wipe out, cut out
8. demise – (n.) a death, especially of a person in a lofty position
9. exhilarate – (v.) to enliven, cheer, give spirit or liveliness to
10. fallow – (adj.) plowed but not seeded; inactive