

Vocabulary Word List: Level B / Unit 7

Grade 7

Word amiss	Definition (adj.) faulty, imperfect, not as it should be (adv.) in a mistaken or improper way	Sentence Under the circumstances it would not be amiss to offer out congratulations.
Synonyms incorrect, inappropriate, wrong, awry		

Word brawl	Definition (n.) a noisy quarrel or fight (v.) to quarrel or fight noisily	Sentence The noise coming from the classroom sounded more like a brawl than a debate.
Synonyms scuffle, spar, scrap, clash		

Word detest	Definition (v.) to hate, dislike very much	Sentence Children who dislike green vegetables often detest spinach.
Synonyms loathe, despise		

Word domestic	Definition (adj.) native to a country; not foreign; relating to the life or affairs of a household (n.) a household servant	Sentence The newspaper is filled with information about our country's domestic affairs. When my grandmother first came to this country, she took a job as a domestic .
Synonyms household, native, national, local, servant		

Word flagrant	Definition (adj.) extremely bad, scandalous, notorious	Sentence Crossing against the light shows a flagrant disregard for the law.
Synonyms blatant, gross, outrageous, obvious, deliberate, brazen		

Word flaw	Definition (n.) a slight fault, defect, crack	Sentence We noticed a flaw in the plan to start building the house before the spring rains.
Synonyms Imperfection, blemish, error, mistake		

Word fledgling	Definition (n.) an inexperienced person, beginner; a young bird about to leave the nest (adj.) inexperienced	Sentence We placed the fledgling back in its nest. A fledgling police officer appeared on the scene and wisely called for assistance.
Synonyms novice, unqualified, young		

Word fluster	Definition (n.) a state of confusion or agitation (v.) to make or become confused, agitated, or nervous	Sentence During the trial, the judge told the attorney not to fluster the witness.
Synonyms rattle, ruffle, unsettle, worry, frenzy, upset		

Word foremost	Definition (adj.) chief, most important, primary (adv.) in the first place	Sentence Music is foremost among my interests. First and foremost , you must call home to let your family know you'll be late.
Synonyms leading, principal, notable, elite, outstanding		

Word momentum	Definition (n.) the force or speed with which something moves	Sentence The presidential campaign gained momentum once the first primary was over.
Synonyms drive, energy, motion, thrust		

Word notable	Definition (adj.) striking, remarkable (n.) a person who is well known, distinguished, or outstanding in some way	Sentence Being chosen for the team was a notable event in our lives. The party was attended by notable from the film world.
Synonyms noteworthy, impressive, distinguished, prominent		

Word nurture	Definition (n.) rearing, training, upbringing (v.) to bring up, care for, train	Sentence The nurture they received as children served them well as they grew into adulthood. It was wonderful to watch chimpanzees nurture their young.
Synonyms raise, foster, develop, cultivate		

Word paradox	Definition (n.) a self-contradictory statement that on closer examination proves true; a person or thing with seemingly contradictory qualities	Sentence It is a paradox to say that youth is wasted on the young.
Synonyms riddle, enigma, anomaly, puzzle, inconsistency		

Word perjury	Definition (n.) the act of swearing to a lie	Sentence The witness was convicted of perjury and was sentenced to serve two years in prison.
Synonyms lying, untruthfulness, fabrication, falsehood		

Word presume	Definition (v.) to take for granted, assume or suppose; to dare, take upon oneself, take liberties	Sentence The counselors presumed that the job they had last summer will be theirs this summer as well
Synonyms surmise, trespass, infringe, alleged		

Word prior	Definition (adj.) earlier, former	Sentence Unfortunately, the governor had a prior appointment and could not meet with the class.
Synonyms previous, past, preceding, foregoing, anterior		

Word proficient	Definition (adj.) skilled, expert, or capable in any field or activity	Sentence Dad knows his way around the kitchen and is quite a proficient cook.
Synonyms competent, able, adept, gifted, talented		

Word salvo	Definition (n.) a burst of gunfire or cannon shot, often as a tribute or salute; a sudden burst of anything; a spirited verbal attack	Sentence The audience erupted in a salvo of laughter.
Synonyms barrage, volley, discharge, bombardment		

Word vigilant	Definition (adj.) wide-awake, alert, watchful	Sentence The vigilant guards paced back and forth in front of the barracks.
Synonyms attentive, on one's toes, alert, cautious		

Word wrath	Definition (n.) intense anger	Sentence In Greek and Roman myths characters fear the wrath of the gods.
Synonyms rage, outrage, fury, indignation		