再要你命3000

精练部分

2011 年 10 月, 针对 GRE 考试 60 年以来最大的一次改革,我们将原有备考 GRE 的单词书《GRE 核心词汇考法精析》(要你命 3000)进行了重新编写,推出了针对新 GRE 考试的"再要你命 3000"。该书出版以来,读者反馈希望我们在后续的版本中加入类似"要你命 3000"书后的单词配套练习, 同时建议我们加入单词的辅助记忆方法。其实,这两方面需求我们是了解的,但是一方面受限于书的篇幅,我们无法加入针对新 GRE 考试形式更为多样的练习;另一方面因为单词助记法的描述难度高,很难用一句话解释清楚,使得这两件事情就一直搁置。(而目前市面上的助记法有不少是逻辑混乱、胡编乱造的哗众取宠式记忆方法,通过让学生记忆大量冗余的、生拉硬拽的信息,制造记忆的幻觉与假象;但是殿堂级的大师则因为撰写的内容过于学术而导致方法无法在民间使用)。

庆幸的是,在 2013 年 7 月 30 日,我收到了王正宇的邮件。作为清华大学计算机专业的学生, 他很早便拿到了 Google 的工作机会,同时在微软实习,他的工科背景我非常欣赏。更重要的是,在与他就本书的沟通与编写过程中,我发现他是一个难得的对英语学习充满极大热情、功底深厚的出色的合作者。各位会发现不仅本书中常规篇章的助记方法与我们课上的讲述方式一样地容易理解与便于记忆,我们还给出了"字母替换规则"、"常见词缀"等对于单词记忆非常重要的专门的篇章,对这些长期被忽略或者被误读的内容进行详细的介绍。读者们看到的这些助记的内容是我们十年来 10000 多小时的授课经验,以及教授的数十万学员给予我们的最有价值的第一手反馈。而王正宇的加入,使得这些 GRE单词的助记法能以一种逻辑清晰、接地气儿的方式呈现在各位读者面前。

2013 年 8 月,我临时带了两节 GRE 直通车班的课程。班上的同学们告诉我,他们特别喜欢曹天铖老师,说曹老师在课上推荐"再要你命 3000"为备考 GRE 的最佳单词书。我想,一位 GRE 教师能够给出这样的推荐,一定是对 GRE 考试有着深刻的见解的。于是,我跟同事们借到了完整的直通车的讲义。看过曹老师的讲义,我发现无论从内容还是格式上,都要比其他教师出色。接下来,我在人人网上找到了他,并和他打了招呼希望日后能够见一下。没有想到见面时才发现他是我 2010 年暑假班的学生。更惊喜的是,当我提及计划针对新 GRE 的单词做一些辅助性的练习时,他告诉我两年多的小班授课经验已经积累了大量的素材,虽然后来我得知这些素材的准备是有更久远的渊源的。

2013 年我认识了很多新朋友,但是王正宇和曹天铖是我印象最深刻的两位。他们年轻,出色,对生活充满追求。他们的出现坚定了我将助记法和单词记忆练习落地的决心。在新东方大愚文化编辑的建议下,我们将这两个部分合编成一本书,于是就有了各位现在看到的这本《GRE 核心词汇助记与精练》。

我依然记得当年第一个 GRE 单词的背诵是 2001 年 3 月 10 日在北航老主楼 125 最后一排最中间的座位开始的。那时候没有助记法,没有练习,只有一本 16 开的巨大的红色的机考 GRE 红宝书。所有的单词都靠死记硬背,那是对意志力的巨大的挑战。那段日子刻骨铭心,痛苦中充满着美好。

而今天,本书的读者,你们会因为这本书而在备考 GRE 最枯燥的背单词环节轻松很多。羡慕你们,也祝福你们!

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练习说明:

精练部分的设计初衷是希望给读者背单词提供辅助,而这种辅助首先要贴近考试的特点,另外也要倾向于英语能力的实际应用,所选取的三种主要题型也有不同的针对性。

词义连线:

这一部分考察的能力是单词的核心特征,读者并不需要知道中文翻译,而是需要把握单词<u>英文</u>注释中的关键信息;右侧的英文并不是完整的解释,同时"词性"的概念也被弱化,因为这些单词通常并不是大多数读者的"输出"词汇,对于应用的要求并不高。

这一部分的训练,希望读者在背单词的初期力求精确掌握,在完成一个 unit 的记忆之后立刻复习检验,尤其针对那些"不能被简单的翻译成一个中文单词"的概念,尤其要注意词义的准确。

单词替换:

在教学过程中学生反映的两个问题经常是"这个单词我背会了,为什么在考试中看到的时候还是不理解呢?"以及"我不知道句子在说什么内容,所以单词认识也还是理解很模糊!"针对这两个问题,这一部分的例句都是从国外媒体的新闻报道中摘取的英文原句进行简单的修改成型,希望读者明确两点:

- 1. 单词在实际的句子中可能怎么也套不进去你被的那些字眼, 而是要灵活的进行解读;
- 2. 要培养自己对于生词的容忍度和适应性,习惯在有生词&不熟悉话题的语言环境中理解句子这一部分比较原汁原味的句子更侧重于还原单词在实际语境中的出现方式,希望读者在对GRE核心词汇有一定掌握之后作为扩展和巩固。

找异义词:

在给出的四个单词中,有三个是同义词,另一个通常是反义词或是完全不相关的词;针对性不言而喻,主要对于考试中的6选2题型进行训练;其中很多单词并不是3000主词条的词汇,而是从扩展的同反义词中选取的,所以希望读者在记忆过【同/近/反】之后,用这一部分作为自我检测和查漏补缺的工具。

在每个 list 之后还有两个 <u>crosswords</u> 的练习,除了形式上给读者一些变化,也同时突出一些需要注意拼写的单词;此部分练习结合助记法部分的【<u>小节与复习</u>】,希望读者可以动手写一写这些单词,把对单词的学习升级到应用的水平。

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

abandon destroy self-confidence, embarrass

abet assist or support, encourage

abash make briefer

abate put an end to; give over unrestrainedly

abbreviate reduce degree or number

Group 02

abdicate lower reputation

aberrant deviating

abase extreme repugnance

abeyance inactivity

abhor relinquish or renounce power

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In many areas people were forced to <u>desert</u> their vehicles as roads became impassable.
- 2. He was unwilling to <u>degrade</u> himself by pleading guilty to a crime he did not commit.
- 3. Doctors have often explained such sensations as a matter of inflamed or frayed nerve endings in the stump sending unusual signals to the brain.
- 4. The debt crisis of the early 1980s left their cooperation in suspension for years.
- 5. That is because investors <u>hate</u> the destruction of their wealth, especially if it is seen as being caused by bad politics.

- 1. abort, repeal, rescind, indulge
- 2. profane, vitiate, deify, smirch
- 3. recede, intensify, remit, wane
- 4. anomalous, peculiar, unwonted, normal
- 5. fulfillment, quiescence, moratorium, dormancy

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

abiding deny, renounce; relinquish

abject hate, loathe, abhor abscond lasting, enduring abnegate depart secretly

abominate spiritless; in low state

Group 02

aboveboard annul, abolish

abrade rejecting, abandoning abridge no deceit or duplicity

abrogate shorten

abjure wear away by friction

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The disappearance of the 32-year-old Swedish diplomat is a(n) <u>forever</u> mystery of World War II.
- 2. He also encouraged satyagrahis to feel empathy for their political opponents and to give up violence against the British.
- 3. This transaction process was totally <u>legal</u>, so there was no reason to question it.
- 4. Highly-developed modern transportation shortens distance among people.
- 5. He was too much of a public personality for there to be any fear that he would slip away.

- 1. evanescent, eternal, perennial, perpetual
- 2. renounce, abnegate, forswear, espouse
- 3. excoriate, augment, rasp, graze
- 4. curtail, truncate, amplify, condense
- 5. disannul, invalidate, institute, nullify

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

absolute exculpate, clear one's blame

absolve refrain

abstain restraint, sparring

abstemious summary

abstract unconstrained, unqualified, unquestionable

Group 02

abstruse adjacent, side by side

absurd condemn or vilify; improper use

abundant difficult to comprehend

abuse great plenty abut unreasonable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The coach appeared to <u>free</u> him of any blame for the misfiring performance.
- 2. U.S. officials believe six other members may vote against or <u>withdraw</u>, meaning the Palestinians would fall short.
- 3. It sounds like a(n) <u>difficult</u> topic, but it is actually pretty fundamental to the following discussion.
- 4. He has taken on a more moderate diet since his last unexpected hospital visit.
- 5. Our land borders a wildlife preserve.

- 1. refined, unadulterated, diluted, unalloyed
- 2. acquit, exonerate, vindicate, incriminate
- 3. indulgent, continent, temperate, self-abnegating
- 4. arcane, esoteric, patent, hermetic
- 5. ample, cornucopian, scanty, replete

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

abysmal approval, consent

accede immeasurably low; of great degree

accelerate make faster; become greater

accessible secondary, supplementary, subordinate

accessory within easy reach, capable of being understood

Group 02

accidental challengingly or aggressively approach

acclimate make suitable, adapt

accolade praise; approval

accommodate provide; change to suit accost unexpectedly; not vital

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Their <u>poor</u> living conditions invoked our sympathy.
- 2. After an official meeting with the applicants, the judge <u>approved of</u> their pleas.
- 3. The new device provided such new additional features as call-waiting.
- 4. Ignoring the warnings of his friends, he was <u>approached</u> by three gang members last night.
- 5. He had no choice but to adapt oneself to a nine-to-five office job.

- 1. acquiesce, assent, consent, demur
- 2. balloon, retard, escalate, burgeon
- 3. abstruse, incoherent, fathomable, insensible
- 4. reprobation, castigation, applause, reproof
- 5. fortuitous, calculated, deliberate, premeditated

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

acute acid, hurting

accumulate keen discernment; needing immediate attention

acerbic gradually increase

acme highest point; perfect type acquiesce tacitly or passively accept

Group 02

acrid unshakable, unyielding, inflexible

acrimonious gradually grow

acumen discernment and judgment accrete deep-seated resentment

adamant (taste) harsh; acid

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. For hundreds of years silt has been <u>accumulating</u> at the mouth of the river.
- 2. There was something awesome and vaguely unsettling about watching these sweet people sing such bitter songs.
- It is perhaps little wonder that Savonarola remains such a fascinating figure, capable of being portrayed as the <u>peak</u> of either self-denying sanctity or philistine heresy.
- 4. We shall all sink or swim, depending upon our own individual investment insight.
- 5. The president is <u>stubborn</u> that we cannot make fundamental changes to the entitlement programs.

- 1. garner, dissipate, recede, wane
- 2. pungent, sardonic, saccharin, scalding
- 3. exigent, imperative, compelling, mild
- 4. vacillatory, amenable, yielding, pertinacious
- 5. culmination, nadir, pinnacle, acme

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

adapt change, modify

addict habitual liking; habitually devote

adhere not essential

adjourn stick, support, obey

adjunct suspend

Group 02

ad-lib admire, devote, love

admonish give advice; reprove gently

adore make impure adulate praise too much without preparation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The paint firmly sticks to the surface and is not likely to be removed.
- 2. The meeting suspended for another week due to the ongoing argument.
- 3. Any number of contemporary ballet troupes whose dancers merely mark time with empty, <u>unprepared</u> acting would be well advised to study these performances.
- 4. The president used this annual game as a platform to <u>warn</u> local governments for their new immigration laws.
- 5. The food company was blacklisted for <u>corrupting</u> its products with cheap additives.

- 1. prorogate, prorogue, recess, convoke
- 2. extemporary, impromptu, rehearsed, offhanded
- 3. abhor, cherish, abominate, loathe
- 4. scorn, belaud, disdain, vituperate
- 5. alloy, contaminate, fortify, taint

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

adumbrate call attention, refer

adventitious disclose; give a slight indication

adversary not inherent or innate

advert resists, enemy

advocate support

Group 02

affable attraction; in common, similarity

affinity easy and friendly

affluent enhance

aggrandize make worse or more serious; disturb

aggravate sufficient supply

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The conflict in Bloody Kansas implied the civil war that would follow.
- 2. Maybe it was his charm and charisma known to melt even the staunchest enemy.
- 3. Moral considerations are not inherent to the study of art.
- 4. Weakness in the euro zone's biggest economy is likely to worsen its debt crisis.
- 5. They often overemphasize symbolic representation and <u>exaggerate</u> infant's ability of academic learning.

- 1. constitutional, intrinsic, supervenient, inherent
- 2. advertent, remiss, heedless, negligent
- 3. cordial, genial, hospitable, irascible
- 4. impecunious, opulent, indigent, penurious
- 5. relegate, augment, efface, abase

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

aggregate arouse, disturb aggressive collect, gather

aggrieve give pain or trouble

agitate ready to attack; forceful agog urgent desire or interest

Group 02

agonize excuse (to avert blame)

airtight fell sadness or pain

alacrity make unfriendly; convey or transfer

alibi no flaw; impermeable to air

alienate promptness; readiness

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. An empire is the collection of many states under one common head.
- 2. Wall posts in the most active group reveal a strong troll element attempting to disturb protesters.
- 3. He talks about the peace process and we all wait <u>interestedly</u> for any newsmaking pronouncement.
- 4. The <u>quickness</u> with which the correction took place was admirable, but it was not fast enough to prevent the false information from being repeated elsewhere.
- 5. But neither candidates wants to distance voters who support marriage rights.

- 1. assaultive, truculent, pugnacious, pacific
- 2. perturb, compose, soothe, tranquilize
- 3. solicitous, apathetic, indifferent, uneager
- 4. amenability, gameness, obligingness, dilatoriness
- 5. disaffect, reconcile, disgruntle, sour

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

align devotion, loyalty allay indirectly convey

allegiance line; adjust

alleviate reduce intensity or severity

allude relieve, lessen

Group 02

allure association
ally attract, delight
aloft in the air, in flight
aloof removed or distant

altruism unselfish

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Because of its focus on temporary movement, it can <u>ease</u> immigration-related fears in receiving countries.
- 2. Perhaps most importantly, both switched their <u>loyalty</u> to what they viewed as the winning side.
- 3. The authors also <u>refer</u> to this by quizzically stating that other trials have had this effect as well.
- 4. Perhaps the ultimate <u>attraction</u> of Morocco is that it never lets you forget where you are.
- 5. Participants are urged to register their approbation with a sign-language equivalent: hands open and in the air, fingers wiggling.

- 1. aggravate, foment, mitigate, exacerbate
- 2. piety, infidelity, perfidiousness, treachery
- 3. bequile, allude, entice, seduce
- 4. infer, insinuate, intimate, palliate
- 5. offish, withdrawn, sociable, standoffish

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

amalgamate become better; improve

ambiguous combine, unite amiable doubtful, uncertain ambrosial extremely pleasing

ameliorate friendly

Group 02

amenable comfort; pleasant or agreeable

amenity walk slowly or leisurely

amble friendly, amiable

amicable friendship (between nations)

amity yield, submit

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Working closely with nursing staff to <u>unite</u> cleaners more closely with the hospital team will also help.
- 2. He refused to take responsibility for these disasters or to <u>improve</u> rural conditions.
- 3. The three-story, seven bedroom estate boasts every outrageous <u>comfort</u> a celebrity or billionaire could imagine.
- 4. Roberts is an immensely <u>friendly</u>, engaging personality who easily relates to people and seems to genuinely care.
- 5. The law is <u>unclear</u> because it only loosely defines what constitutes unlawful gambling.

- 1. fuse, intermix, isolate, meld
- 2. patent, equivocal, blatant, perspicuous
- 3. aromatic, stench, redolent, odorous
- 4. compliant, docile, tractable, contumacious
- 5. hostile, affable, amicable, genial

List 02

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

amorphous curse

analgesic of secondary importance anarchist rebels against authority

anathema reduce pain

ancillary without definite form; shapeless

Group 02

anecdote ill will, enmity

anemic lacking awareness or sensitivity

anesthetic lacking force or spirit

animate short narrative animus showing life; spirit

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The wholesale interdiction of narcotic drugs, too, has been responsible for an enormous amount of secondary crime and corruption.
- 2. It is perhaps best seen as a(n) <u>shapeless</u> mass of somewhat similar folk games from which modern games emerge.
- 3. Motion sensor cameras will film passers-by and use their movements to <u>vivify</u> Lowry figures in a giant projection of the work.
- 4. There was no question he had an agenda and a deep <u>hostility</u> toward the president.
- 5. He shares a telling story of the time a racist barber refused to cut his hair.

- 1. topsy-turviness, commotion, order, turmoil
- 2. execration, benison, imprecation, malediction
- 3. feeble, vigorous, decrepit, lethargic
- 4. lackadaisical, languid, listless, brisk
- 5. animosity, amenity, hostility, rancor

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

annoy counteract, oppose annul departing, not normal

anomalous disturb

anonymous make invalid or ineffective

antagonize not named

Group 02

antediluvian clownish, absurd anterior coming before

antic lack of feeling or interest

apathy old, antiquated aphorism short witty sentence

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Last week, the lower house of Congress also voted to <u>cancel</u> the laws.
- 2. This is something that does <u>bother</u> me when people talk about Jobs and how he used to make presentations.
- 3. There are a lot of reasons which range from <u>indifference</u> to ignorance of the rules to full on defiance.
- 4. Furthermore, the PFA's somewhat <u>old</u> voting procedure means that most ballots are cast in February, which effectively renders the last three months of the season meaningless.
- 5. The consumption has already been significant for the past couple of years, which suggests that the current spike is either <u>unusual</u> or perhaps indicative of some new problem that needs to be identified and addressed.

- 1. gall, nettle, propitiate, peeve
- 2. abrogate, enact, nullify, rescind
- 3. unexceptional, abnormal, phenomenal, singular
- 4. foregoing, former, precedent, subsequent
- 5. farcical, ludicrous, solemn, hilarious

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

apocalyptic abandonment of faith or loyalty

apocryphal angry, furious

apoplectic doubtful, spurious

apostasy predictive; turning point; unrestrained

appall shock, consternate

Group 02

appeal application; accusation

appealing approval

applause attractive, inviting

apposite perceptible

appreciable pertinent or appropriate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Too much of the second half is consumed by the nocturnal niceties of a drug plot – a pity, because a film about the joys and travails of the American military abroad could hardly be more <u>appropriate</u>.
- 2. They are now calling for the public to send in more of their old equipment.
- 3. There are tales, perhaps <u>untrue</u>, of villages where all the men of working age have left.
- 4. He is charming and unpretentious, though he has a penchant for moony gyrations and emotive expressions that tend to horrify his critics.
- 5. In the past forty-two years, he said, Africans have received five hundred and sixty-eight billion dollars in aid, yet there has been no <u>noticeable</u> improvement in their living standards.

- 1. choleric, delighted, indignant, ireful
- 2. fidelity, allegiance, loyalty, perfidy
- 3. incriminate, inculpate, absolve, indict
- 4. apropos, germane, pointed, extraneous
- 5. discernible, negligible, palpable, distinguishable

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

apprehension approval apprise inform approbation relevant

appropriate suspicion, fear; arrestment; understanding

apropos use without permission; suitable

Group 02

apt difficult, strenuous archaic enthusiasm, devotion

archetype ideal example

ardor not current, antiquated

arduous suitable; appropriate; intelligent

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. There were things he wanted to explain to the Sikh, to <u>inform</u> him of, but he held his breath and pressed his lips together.
- 2. Participants are urged to register their <u>approval</u> with a sign-language equivalent hands open and aloft, fingers wiggling.
- 3. I want to prove my innocence and will explain myself at a(n) suitable time.
- 4. In contrast, Yangon's inept and Stalinistic New Light of Myanmar uses <u>old</u> terms like axe-handles, flunkies and running dogs.
- 5. Progress has been made in restructuring the financial system, but it has been an <u>tiring</u> exercise.

- 1. equanimity, dread, foreboding, misgiving
- 2. becoming, felicitous, meet, inapt
- 3. antiquated, superannuated, novel, antediluvian
- 4. impassivity, avidity, zeal, vehemence
- 5. grueling, facile, taxing, onerous

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

argot express clearly

arrest irregular

articulate overbearing pride

arrhythmic specialized vocabulary

arrogance stop; make inactive; hold attention

Group 02

arresting attracting

ascendant awry, not straight

ascetic dominant, superior; rising

aseptic preventing infection; lacking emotion or vitality

askew self-denial, self-discipline

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Violence subsided considerably after Simental's <u>seizure</u> in January 2010, although attacks still occur regularly.
- 2. Informed that at 270 pounds he's obese, with worryingly high blood pressure and an <u>irregular</u> heartbeat, Roberts looks for a weight loss program that works for him.
- 3. And without leadership, command is a hollow experience, a vacuum often filled with mistrust and overconfidence.
- 4. Political Islam, they argue, is in the <u>dominance</u>, and represents the biggest challenge to France's secularist tradition since the 19th Century.
- 5. Successful applicants endured a(n) <u>strict</u> routine of prayers and work from six in the morning until ten at night.

- 1. galvanize, rein, hamper, thwart
- 2. drab, engrossing, gripping, riveting
- 3. pomposity, haughtiness, hauteur, unassumingness
- 4. abstemious, abstinent, sumptuous, spartan
- 5. cockeyed, oblique, aligned, lopsided

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

aspect agree

asperity appearance aspersion harm reputation

aspirant roughness; rigor, severity assent one seeking to accomplish

Group 02

assert bold, self-assured

assertive calm, pacify; lessen the intensity

assess careful, busy

assiduous forcefully or aggressively declare

assuage value

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- This political paranoia has been with us ever since the baby boom came of age in the 1960s – a time marked by political assassinations of President Kennedy, presidential <u>seeker</u> Robert Kennedy, and Martin Luther King.
- 2. How could our high schoolers <u>agree</u> to serving as walking billboards for shoe and sweatshirt manufacturers?
- 3. With colonialism now history, many nations have expressed this consciousness in a(n) <u>self-assured</u> nationalism.
- 4. The administration is moving to <u>reduce</u> organized labor's objection to expanding NAFTA and its worries about the Medicare commission.
- 5. He'd been an <u>hardworking</u> constituency MP and he'd worked hard on many national and international issues.

- 1. crudity, rudeness, poignancy, mildness
- 2. besmirchment, calumniation, obloquy, commendation
- 3. gainsay, aver, avow, avouch
- 4. sedulous, diligent, idle, industrious
- 5. exasperate, incense, infuriate, conciliate

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

astounding amazing, surprising astute apart; separate parts asunder no balance or symmetry

asylum place of refuge

asymmetrical shrewd, perspicacious

Group 02

atone brutal, cruel; unsatisfactory atrocious fearlessly or recklessly bold

attenuate lessen, weaken audacious make amends

augur predict

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Milner, 49, who heads Digital Sky Technologies, has made <u>wise</u> investments in Facebook and Groupon.
- 2. Mr. McGuinness said the 1987 bombing, in which 11 people were killed at the Cenotaph, was <u>sinful</u>.
- 3. Religious animosity tears society <u>apart</u>, particularly when church is affixed to government.
- 4. Using such a well-known life is a(n) <u>bold</u> move, and Ms Yoseloff rises to the challenge.
- 5. Women, I believe, will <u>lessen</u> the economic gender gap that now exists and move into positions of leadership.

- 1. heinous, benign, benignant, humane
- 2. adventurous, brash, circumspect, reckless
- 3. appreciate, attenuate, enhance, upgrade
- 4. haven, sanctuary, sanctum, atonement
- 5. canny, perspicacious, savvy, ignorant

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

authentic genuine, accurate

authority independence; self-governing

autocracy insatiable desire; greed autonomy power; control; knowledge

avarice unlimited power

Group 02

aver clearly and forcefully state

aversion dislike

avid dread, veneration, wonder awash filled, covered by flood awe interest, enthusiasm; eager

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The government has argued that giving schools greater <u>independence</u> will help to improve standards.
- 2. Prepared pie-crust mix and prepared mincemeat make a delicious version, even if not entirely genuine.
- 3. They again demanded another tuition increase to satisfy their greed and greed.
- 4. Once there, it scrambles the neurons around and reverses the animals' natural <u>dislike</u> to cat urine. Soon after, a recently relieved cat returns to the scene and takes its supper.
- 5. Ms. Stewart, an <u>enthusiastic</u> rider, helped redesign a trail map given to members of the association.

- 1. bogus, phony, spurious, bona fide
- 2. democracy, absolutism, totalitarianism, tyranny
- 3. covetousness, magnanimity, cupidity, rapacity
- 4. nausea, repugnance, repulsion, adoration
- 5. avouch, avow, purport, deny

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

awkward lacking skill or ease; causing embarrassment

awning meaningless words

awry self-evident

axiomatic shelter

babble turned or twisted

Group 02

backhanded harass, annoy

badger indirect

badinage lure; persecute or exasperate bait playful conversation, banter

bale sorrow

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Things can go <u>twisted</u> if you are either inappropriate or too quick on the trigger.
- 2. It is <u>obvious</u> that one may not lawfully do indirectly what is unlawful to be done directly.
- 3. Peter needs to resist taking this <u>temptation</u> and return to fighting over big issues, not small men.
- 4. Earlier this fall, Mr. White proposed a central enrollment system, which the Times-Picayune newspaper endorsed in a(n) indirect way as long overdue.
- 5. Why does this man feel so compelled to <u>bother</u> Liz with nicknames and complain about her lousy meditation habits?

- 1. maladroit, deft, dexterous, proficient
- 2. drivel, jabber, articulate, prattle
- 3. roundabout, sarcastic, hypocritical, artless
- 4. appease, badger, pacify, mollify
- 5. misery, rejoice, anguish, grief

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

baleful check, obstruct; unwilling to accept

balk folk song or poem balm harmful, deadly

ballad increase

balloon sweet-smelling oil

Group 02

balky force out

banal playful conversation

bane source of harm

banish refusing

banter trite, not original

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Many of the characters seem rather thin and milky, and historians will <u>not accept</u> the political simplifications.
- 2. The expression in his eyes was threatening, aloof, and slightly suspicious.
- 3. The consultant company estimates that the country's total Internet population will increase to 750m by 2015.
- 4. This may sound <u>commonplace</u>, but the truth is that in the West African context it is little short of revolutionary.
- 5. But critics say Singapore Power must upgrade management and <u>throw away</u> its clubby, civil-service mentality.

- 1. baleful, pernicious, detrimental, beneficent
- 2. contumacious, perverse, submissive, obstreperous
- 3. taper, inflate, escalate, , burgeon
- 4. hackneyed, threadbare, trite, arresting
- 5. deport, repatriate, expatriate, expel

List 03

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

barb bold, brazen barbarous critical comment

barefaced extravagant, complex, flamboyant

bargain merciless, cruel; uncivilized baroque negotiate; agreement

Group 02

barrage infertile, unproductive barren obstruction, rampart

barricade overwhelming, outpouring words or attacks

barter trade without money

batch unit; small number of persons

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They include such <u>cruel</u> attacks as the 1980s bombings of the South's cabinet on a visit to Rangoon and of a Korean Airlines plane.
- 2. To tell a shameless lie to your friends will create bad relationships.
- 3. And the lurid villainy always seems diversionary, a <u>decorative</u> disguise for a bland, lifeless, and overfamiliar story.
- 4. Then it turned into a riot, there was a barrier of bins and skips on fire.
- 5. The forest that burned around the line has recovered, but the line itself remains almost infertile.

- 1. humane, atrocious, fiendish, savage
- 2. perspicuous, furtive, clandestine, surreptitious
- 3. byzantine, intricate, austere, labyrinthine
- 4. effete, fecund, impotent, infertile
- 5. hinder, impede, obstruct, license

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

bathetic commonplace

bawdy criticize; excessively explain

bedeck decorate, adorn

belabor indecent

beleaguer trouble, annoy; surround

Group 02

belie kind, charitable; contributing

bellwether kind, gentle

beneficent scold, condemn

benign show to be wrong; counter; disguise

berate take the lead

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The planet Jupiter blazes near the waxing gibbous moon tonight. With the exception of the moon, Jupiter is the brightest heavenly object to <u>decorate</u> tonight's evening sky.
- 2. Mr. Berlusconi has often made <u>rude</u> jokes, particularly when responding to criticism of his private life.
- 3. Mr. Cohen does not <u>repeatedly explain</u> the similar trajectories of the Allies and the Axis powers as they raced to discover the means and methods to win.
- 4. Dixie whose waiflike exterior and casual bearing may <u>mask</u> a steel strength bolstered by wisdom, character and grit.
- 5. That warm <u>kind</u> smile is bestowed on every new person who comes within his orbit.

- 1. trite, cliché, offbeat, hackneyed
- 2. obscene, lewd, ribald, decorous
- 3. extol, excoriate, lambaste, vituperate
- 4. besiege, invest, blockade, retreat
- 5. attest, debunk, validate, verify

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

beseech beg for

besmirch divide into two

bifurcate make dirty; defame, stain bigot obstinately devoted person bland soothing; dull; not harsh

Group 02

blandishment apathetic to pleasure
blasé coax, cajole, flattery
blast explosion; gust of wind
blatant make known or attractive

blazon noisy; noticeable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Even though these people may blow themselves up in the name of religion but in the process they abuse and defame the idea of religion itself.
- 2. Most devices at the time were rather dull when compared to the iPod.
- 3. Exploding security risks likely will <u>divide</u> the smart phone and tablet markets away from one converging business and personal smart phone device to separate business and consumer smart phones and tablets.
- 4. Our overriding priority was facing the external pressures which were at times tantamount to noticeable conspiracies.
- 5. Was it the <u>flattery</u> of the quick shock which insured that almost every adventure in 3-D would wind up in victory?

- 1. foul, smirch, smudge, cleanse
- 2. divide, diverge, coalesce, fork
- 3. abrasive, caustic, mellow, scathing
- 4. reticent, boisterous, clamant, vociferous
- 5. bedeck, blemish, embellish, garnish

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

blemish ecstasy; perfect happiness

blight impair; wither

bliss imperfection, defect; reduce blithe lighthearted, happy; care-free

blueprint plan; budget

Group 02

blunder abruptly speak blunt arrogantly speak

blur error, mistake; move unsteadily blurt make less sharp; weaken; direct

bluster vague, unclear

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It aims to bring an end to wanton acts of destruction and the <u>carefree</u> selfdelusion that keeps too many from seeing the perilous state of the earth and its people.
- 2. Work is under way to design an independence <u>plan</u> that can command popular support.
- 3. The only <u>flaw</u> on his six-year record came with a draw against Ramon Montano in Atlantic City in March last year.
- 4. When the line between reality and virtual reality start to <u>become unclear</u>, you could be in trouble.
- 5. Doctors said the damage to McManus' spleen was caused by <u>unsharpened</u> force trauma to his abdomen.

- 1. disfigure, impair, revamp, vitiate
- 2. beatitude, misery, ecstasy, elation
- 3. debonair, insouciant, careworn, lighthearted
- 4. burst, bolt, muffle, ejaculate
- 5. bluff, brusque, circuitous, curt

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

boggle geniality; pleasant

boisterous hesitate; do in an unskillful way

bolster noisy; lively

bombast pompous, grandiloquent

bonhomie support, boost

Group 02

boo benefit, favor

boon contempt, scorn, disapproval

boor limit; fully committed

bootless rude bound useless

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Despite the false <u>friendliness</u>, she emits disdain for the idea that matters other than policy are anyone's business.
- 2. If he succeeds in curbing costs, it would be a colossal benefit for America.
- 3. The meeting turns out to be a(n) unsuccessful attempt.
- 4. Tens of thousands of teachers, parents and students staged a <u>lively</u> march in Madrid on Tuesday evening.
- 5. Both the man and the woman <u>hesitate</u> before speaking and then utter perfectly formed sentences.

- 1. rowdy, vociferous, blatant, sedate
- 2. braggadocio, understatement, grandiloquence, bombast
- 3. scourge, benevolence, present, windfall
- 4. faltering, vacillating, wavering, resolute
- 5. barren, virtuous, futile, abortive

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

boycott concerted refusal

bracing foolishly adventurous; poor judgment

brake giving strength
brash make less rapid
bravado pretense of bravery

Group 02

brassy break; fail to keep bravura brilliant performance brazen contemptuously bold breach rude boldness; showy

brevity shortness

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They also include Takafumi Horie, an internet entrepreneur known for his spiky hair and <u>hasty</u> image.
- 2. In September Plaid Cymru's annual conference voted to <u>fight against</u> the license fee campaign.
- 3. This was a fine old journalistic piece of <u>faked bravery</u> in the typical traditions of the Sun newspaper.
- 4. Due to the <u>briefness</u> of the track lengths, On the Ground may have a short run-time, but it is packed with sincerity and raw talent.
- 5. It marked the formal <u>break</u> in relations between Yugoslavia and the rest of the Communist bloc.

- 1. rejuvenating, reviving, stimulating, vapid
- 2. decelerate, hasten, retard, slacken
- 3. audacious, madcap, prudent, temerarious
- 4. adroit, artless, dexterous, virtuoso
- 5. insolent, self-effacing, diffident, retiring

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

bribe active

bridle check, constrain, inhibit

brisk easily broken; lacking in friendliness bristle express anger; copiously supplied

brittle give money to influence

Group 02

broach commonplace statement

bromide intimidate, bully

brook open; present for discussion

browbeat tell or spread by rumor

bruit tolerate; creek

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The world should come up with a powerful tool to <u>control</u> the US dollar and the people managing it.
- 2. An old Chinese <u>saying</u> goes, "The sky is high, and the emperor is far away," and it's easy to conclude that puritanical China has lost control at the outer reach of its empire.
- 3. If your errands are less than a mile away, walk to them at a(n) active pace.
- 4. I will not tolerate insults from my own employees.
- 5. The MDC opposition control the parliament, Mugabe couldn't govern without them unless he threaten or bullied them into joining him.

- 1. bouncing, bustling, vibrant, languid
- 2. bluster, fulminate, cower, rampage
- 3. cordial, frigid, frosty, glacial
- 4. banality, platitude, homily, novelty
- 5. curb, constrain, emancipate, inhibit

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

buck alter position; cease resistance

budge feeling of superiority

bulge intimidating person; best

bully protuberant part; sudden increase

bumptious refuse, defy

Group 02

bungle fill with courage or strength

buoy floating; good mood

buoyant grow rapidly burgeon mockingly copy burlesque work clumsily

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The man who succeeded Ernie Walker at the SFA had a <u>self-important</u> reputation but is fondly remembered by many for his efficiency and meticulous eye for detail.
- 2. He instead chose to <u>refuse</u> the trend to outdo everyone else and just wore the same clothes they had in previous years.
- 3. But his boss, Mr. Bertling, adds there will still be a(n) <u>expansive</u> market for conventional helicopters.
- 4. Long-time friends and collaborators Mr. Pelly and Ms. Dessay occasionally push the imitation bits over the top into unbecoming vulgarity.
- 5. As our history of male-as-sole-breadwinner fades as downsizing and outsourcing grow rapidly, both sexes will need to be prepared to raise money and raise children.

- 1. bow, submit, surrender, withstand
- 2. convexity, projection, indent, protuberance
- 3. bullyboy, underdog, hector, intimidator
- 4. imperious, peremptory, unpretentious, supercilious
- 5. effervescent, morose, saturnine, sullen

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

burnish approval; prestige

buttress complicated

byzantine make smooth or glossy

cache provide evidence for; support

cachet stored supply

Group 02

cacophony beg, sponge

cadge loud, inharmonious sound

cajole make inflexible or unchangeable

calcify standardize

calibrate wheedle, sweet-talk

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Despite Yahoo's <u>reputation</u> as one of the best-known brands on the Internet, its troubles have mounted.
- 2. The unemployment rates of the young can be astronomical, even in rich nations, as older unionized workers have worked to <u>fix</u> labor markets to their own advantage.
- 3. But beyond the fog of opium and the <u>noise</u> of the foreigner's town, River of Smoke is really a scathing parable of globalization.
- 4. Businesses would experience an efficiency enhancement by eliminating the need to circumvent complicated tax regulations.
- 5. Mr. Putin, meanwhile, hopes to <u>support</u> Russia's growth with a boost in spending on defense and infrastructure.

- 1. bolster, corroborate, contravene, substantiate
- 2. intricate, involved, labyrinthine, plain
- 3. ossified, malleable, pliant, flexible
- 4. bluster, clamor, decibel, tranquility
- 5. conceal, exhibit, ensconce, secrete

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

calligraphy elegant handwriting

callous friendship callow immature calumniate unfeeling

camaraderie utter false statements

Group 02

cameo authentic works; orthodox

camouflage brief, vivid portrayal canard deceive or hide candor honesty, sincerity canon misleading story

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Although Thomas had never played a team sport before, the <u>friendship</u> aspect drew him in immediately.
- 2. It was a fairly harmless belief, and not uncommon among a certain sort of <u>inexperienced</u> young man.
- 3. Instead, he said, theirs was a <u>coldhearted</u> conservatism, its trademark pandering to fear and prejudice.
- 4. Watching from across the street was a group of pro-Gadhafi armed men, two in desert <u>disguise</u>.
- 5. One of the classic stories in the entrepreneurial <u>truth</u> involves the founder of Ikea, Ingvar Kamprad.

- 1. remorseless, indurate, ruthless, compassionate
- 2. libel, vindicate, traduce, vilify
- 3. blunt, forthright, unreserved, mendacity
- 4. degrade, demean, deify, humiliate
- 5. comradeship, fellowship, camaraderie, enmity

List 04

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

canvass attract

capitulate examine carefully caprice give up resistance captivate grieved, anxious careworn impulsive change

Group 02

cardinal drink freely

caricature exaggeration or copy

carnal express dissatisfaction; make criticism

carouse most important, paramount

carp physical, worldly

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It has also managed to <u>attract</u> listening audiences in urban and surrounding areas, thanks in particular to its "contact programs".
- 2. Mebazaa then announced that his government would give in to all the demands of the protest movement.
- 3. Alan Greenspan's <u>major</u> error was to believe the financial system would be essentially self-regulating.
- 4. He joins in, prospers, gets some private tuition from his <u>worried</u> teacher, and ends up auditioning for the Royal Ballet.
- 5. He's always complaining about his boss.

- 1. budge, concede, relent, oppose
- 2. freakishness, confirmation, impulsiveness, whimsicalness
- 3. allure, bewitch, repulse, magnetize
- 4. overbearing, paramount, supreme, peripheral
- 5. grouch, rejoice, grouse, grumble

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

carve cause; accelerate

cast criticize

castigate put forth; get rid of

catalyze sculpture; produce, bring about

catastrophe tragedy; utter failure

Group 02

categorical destroying; incisive sarcasm, acerbic

catholic quibble; find fault

caustic unlimited, unspecialized

caveat warning

cavil without exception; absolute

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. You are right to <u>criticize</u> the politicians for their failure to deal with the problem but they are not the only villains.
- 2. Bin Laden has the ability to <u>accelerate</u> new conflicts, making himself the leader of a worldwide movement.
- 3. But this <u>warning</u> should not cloud the central issue: a coup in a region which has shed authoritarianism should not be allowed to stand.
- 4. Chair David Davies looked thoughtful throughout and let only one <u>sharp</u> comment cross his lips.
- 5. But the Syrian regime has to realize the size of the <u>disaster</u> and stop its insanity.

- 1. berate, chastise, accolade, reprimand
- 2. beget, retard, effectuate, spawn
- 3. bummer, debacle, blockbuster, fiasco
- 4. qualified, definite, downright, utter
- 5. acerbic, barbed, innocuous, sardonic

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

cavort critical

cedeexamine and deletecementgambol; sprightly boundcensorsurrender possessioncensoriousuniting or binding force

Group 02

censure disquietude or distress census formal disapproval

cessation make jokes chaff stopping

chagrin survey of population

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The effort to make culture the <u>glue</u> of mutual understanding and social cohesion must be strengthened.
- 2. So it seems that the American public is by no mean as <u>critical</u> either as it believes itself to be or as others believe it to be.
- 3. Mrs. Berlusconi made her <u>distress</u> very public, after which he apologized for "wounding" her dignity, in a letter to La Reppubblica.
- 4. Because of all this, Eta has decided on the definitive <u>ending</u> of its armed activity.
- 5. If enough of them lose, the party could give up control of the House after November's election.

- 1. caper, disport, trudge, gambol
- 2. relinquish, render, renounce, possess
- 3. condemn, denounce, endorse, pan
- 4. expiration, commencement, halt, termination
- 5. cord, knot, link, disperse

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

chameleon changes or adopts opinions

champion disorder or confusion

chaos fraud, quack

charade insincere or intended to deceive

charlatan support; victory

Group 02

chary arrest motion, restrain; in agreement

chase cautious chasm decorate

chauvinistic difference of opinion, contradiction

check excessive patriotism

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Serbia once stood as the bulwark of Eastern Orthodoxy, which had its greatest victory in the 'Third Rome' of Russia after the fall of Constantinople.
- 2. The local government was taking emergency measures to rectify the state of <u>disorder</u>.
- 3. Chen is a <u>changeable person</u> who switches effortlessly from a father-figure persona to attack mode.
- 4. Still shocking to outside observers is the <u>gap</u> in living standards between white Australia and black Australia.
- 5. According to the report, growing medicinal plants can help <u>prevent</u> runoff and erosion, control flooding, purify water, and protect against wind.

- 1. temporizer, devotee, trimmer, weathercock
- 2. patronize, disparage, impugn, oppose
- 3. havoc, , muddle, order, welter
- 4. circumspect, gingerly, rash, heedful
- 5. propagate, stall, bridle, tame

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

cherubic accord, agree chicanery deception easily angered choleric innocent, rosy chord mildly scold

Group 02

chromatic colored

chronic frequent recurrence; not likely to change

churl no importance or influence

cipher not forthright or direct

circuitous rude, boorish; mean, stingy

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. John Howard Davies, who grew from <u>lovable</u> child actor to influential British television producer, has died at 72.
- 2. Then the press began to blame moderator Jim Lehrer for being too nice.
- 3. Despite a <u>long-lasting</u> funding crisis, A.U. troops in Darfur are doing a valiant iob.
- 4. Although most of this <u>deception</u> is utterly illegal, the system of car privileges is an open secret in Ukraine.
- 5. So it took a indirect route and ended up driving twice the distance.

- 1. artifice, legerdemain, aboveboard, subterfuge
- 2. reprove, reprimand, chide, commend
- 3. tranquil, irascible, composed, nonchalant
- 4. motley, blanched, variegated, kaleidoscopic
- 5. coarse, boorish, genteel, loutish

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

circumlocution avoid

circumscribe careful, prudent

circumspect evasion, indirect language

circumvent limit, restrict civility politeness

Group 02

claim ask for right; state as fact

clandestine hold

clarion loud, clear

clarity lucidity; easily seen through

clasp secret

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Most people I know disciplined enough to save, to defer consumption, are also cautious about borrowing.
- 2. But supporters of Mr. ElBaradei have been using Facebook to <u>bypass</u> Egypt's laws preventing political gatherings.
- 3. The prime minister was confident that critics worry might be used to further consolidate its power and to restrict its political opposition.
- 4. Here are excerpts of his interview with the AP, edited for length and clearness.
- 5. Most spies avoid public meetings, and instead use covert communications or <u>secret</u> communications to swap information.

- 1. diffusion, prolixity, pithiness, verbalism
- 2. gingerly, heedful, prudent, unwary
- 3. dodge, confront, sidestep, skirt
- 4. incivility, courtesy, genteelness, gentility
- 5. covert, furtive, overt, surreptitious

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

clement block, impediment, balk

cliché hackneyed, banal sudden rainfall tolerant, kind; mild

cloudburst unit

Group 02

clout clot; congeal cloying influence

clumsy sweet or sentimental

coagulate unite, fuse

coalesce unskillful, tactless; rough

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The fine, glassy particles that make up volcanic ash scour airplane windows and can block and stall jet engines.
- 2. What remains uncontested is the old <u>banality</u> about money not being able to buy happiness.
- 3. His right side was weak and wracked with tremors, and he was <u>unskilled</u> and uncoordinated.
- 4. But top fund-raisers in both camps say they have always expected to <u>unite</u> behind the nominee.
- 5. The planet's history contains many less stable and <u>mild</u> eras than the Holocene.

- 1. charitable, stern, lenient, merciful
- 2. platitude, banality, bromide, creativity
- 3. choke, uncloa, obstruct, occlude
- 4. capacity, heft, impuissance, leverage
- 5. maladroit, dexterous, bungling, inept

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

coax achieve by force coda concluding passage coerce convincing; relevant

coeval equal age

cogent persuade by pleading or flattery

Group 02

cognizant aware

collapse conspire; act together secretly collude fall; depletion of energy; failure colossal not subjected to discipline

coltish sizable, immense

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The ultimate power of the president is the power to persuade, not to force.
- 2. One of the most <u>convincing</u> issues that emerged from the participants was the concern about personal safety.
- 3. Then, after the Alamo has fallen, we are asked to invest our mostly spent attention in an ill-conceived <u>ending</u>.
- 4. While the prisoners in effect run the understaffed prison, the officials also secretly cooperate in the corruption.
- 5. The worst case, the <u>breakdown</u> of the Rainbow Bridge in Chongqing, killed 40 and injured 14.

- 1. finale, epilogue, coda, overture
- 2. coetaneous, asynchronous, concurrent, synchronous
- 3. compelling, conclusive, telling, impertinent
- 4. oblivious, conscious, witting, apprehensive
- 5. gargantuan, minuscule, elephantine, prodigious

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

coma attractive

combustible beginning; graduation ceremony

comely harmony

comity igniting, burning; easily excited

commencement profound unconsciousness; sluggishness

Group 02

commend approbation, praise

commensurate blend

commingle dedication, devotion; belief

commitment equal, proportionate

committed loyal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Plato was born in 427, which is four years after the <u>beginning</u> of the Peloponnesian War.
- 2. Yearly raises were awarded perfunctorily and many managers came to expect frequent promotions with <u>equal</u> salary increases.
- 3. Deeply moved by his selfless spirit, I am writing you to <u>praise</u> his noble deed.
- 4. Fiddler rouses the otherwise <u>attractive</u> melody with dissonant wails, shrill sighs and cracked notes.
- 5. He would gradually have gone into a state of <u>unconsciousness</u> and the shock would come later.

- 1. sluggish, torpor, coma, alacrity
- 2. excitable, soothing, agitable, touchy
- 3. gorgeous, ravishing, homely, seemly
- 4. eulogize, censure, admonish, execrate
- 5. equal, tantamount, commensurate, preponderant

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

commodious disturbance

commonsensical self-satisfaction, unawareness of trouble

commotion sound compendium spacious

complacency summary, abstract

Group 02

complaisance calm; form

compliant comply, affability compliment conform, submit praise, honor compose submissive

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. On Wednesday he paid tribute to Wada's efforts in the past but warned against self-satisfaction.
- 2. Rooms are <u>large</u>, comfortable and airy, each with a specious roofed balcony overlooking the sea.
- 3. Blue said the comment to the jurors was a <u>praise</u> and not a threat.
- 4. The madcap-bound drinks menu is a freewheeling <u>summary</u> of everything owners love and hate.
- 5. Her voice cracked but she managed to <u>calm</u> herself as the conversation continued.

- 1. commodious, cramped, spacious, roomy
- 2. tumult, turmoil, pandemonium, serenity
- 3. smugness, vanity, humility, conceit
- 4. affability, amenability, obstinacy, amiability
- 5. agitate, perturb, compose, vex

List 05

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

conceal anxiety, guilt compress bring together

compromise concession; endanger compunction prevent disclosure

concatenate reduce in size or volume

Group 02

concave accomplished together

compound curved inward

concede focus; make less dilute concentrate grant; cease resistance concerted consisting; together; union

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Rare earth magnets are already a necessity in many hybrid car batteries, so devices made of the new multiferroic <u>mixture</u> could be placed near the magnets.
- 2. Even the most hardcore "vegangelicals" <u>admit</u> the movement's baked goods slogged a long, hard road.
- 3. Margaret Ritchie stepped down in September saying she wanted to <u>focus</u> on constituency work.
- 4. The head of the International Monetary Fund, urged policymakers to take <u>cooperative</u> action quickly.
- 5. Today, Chandra is much the same and has no <u>guilt</u> about getting advice from the most humble of his employees.

- 1. conjugate, dissever, hook, yoke
- 2. capsule, balloon, constrict, constringe
- 3. misgiving, scruple, bliss, compunction
- 4. protuberant, dented, depressed, recessed
- 5. collaborative, cooperative, concerted, solitary

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

conciliate agreement; occur at the same time

concise brief condone forgive

concur lessen anger; make compatible

condescending patronizingly superior

Group 02

condign with assurance and self-reliant

condole deserved, appropriate concord harmony or agreement

conducive promoting confident sympathize

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The editor of a leading South Africa newspaper has resigned over an article which seemed to forgive violence.
- 2. The purpose of these theories is to liberate and <u>resolve</u> the conflict of applying foreign law and national sovereignty.
- 3. The recommendation concerning the nominee, contained in paragraph 3 of the nomination form, should be brief.
- 4. The fact that Apple refused to acknowledge its mistake, while sending out arrogant emails to those who were affected, means PR suicide.
- 5. We were sorry to find that the public officers conducted themselves in a manner leading to corrupt practices.

- 1. assuage, conciliate, nettle, mollify
- 2. prolix, compendious, , laconic, succinct
- 3. merited, justified, warranted, undue
- 4. disregard, exact, overlook, remit
- 5. facilitative, useful, conducive, bootless

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

confine coming together

confluence confuse; fail to differentiate; misinterpret

confront face to face confound fluid to solid congeal imprison; limit

Group 02

congenial agreement; giving pleasure

congruent cooperate secretly

conjecture expert; discriminating person connive in agreement; coinciding

connoisseur surmise, estimate; form an opinion

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. For most of her first six months in office, Ms. Haley managed to keep a <u>friendly</u> working relationship with the Legislature.
- 2. The reliance on self-reporting weight and height rather than independent measuring and verification might <u>misinterpret</u> their reliability.
- 3. Scientists think the <u>meeting</u> of solar storms and suicidal comets is purely coincidental.
- 4. That upset people who had deliberately programmed their privacy settings to <u>limit</u> that information to a specific group of friends or family.
- 5. Policymakers base overarching prescriptions on historical aggregates and pure estimation programmed into computer models.

- 1. discharge, confine, immure, incarcerate
- 2. affront, dodge, brazen, encounter
- 3. baffle, bewilder, clarify, muddle
- 4. incompatible, agreeable, amicable, unanimous
- 5. speculation, supposition, surmise, axiom

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

conscientious general agreement consensus greenhouse; art school

consequence involving great care; ethical

conservative oppose change; not showy; attentive conservatory produced by a cause; importance

Group 02

conserve alleviate, comfort

considerable avoid waste console in agreement

consolidate join together; make firm

consonant large, significant

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Rehnquist's steadfast <u>old-fashioned</u> instincts are generally supported by Justices Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas.
- 2. In the developed world, one out of 4, 300 women will die as a <u>result</u> of pregnancy.
- 3. Equally we are here to <u>comfort</u> the survivors and to commit ourselves to do everything we can to help them to rebuild shattered lives.
- 4. No less useful is the panel's reaching of agreement on a definition of terrorism.
- 5. The theory, at least, is that Panetta will support a larger drawdown, in agreement with the approach favored by the National Security Council.

- 1. meticulous, remiss, painstaking, scrupulous
- 2. flamboyant, ostentatious, splashy, unpretentious
- 3. husband, dissipate, lavish, squander
- 4. consequential, trivial, momentous, considerable
- 5. distress, torment, solace, torture

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

conspicuous appoint; make up conspire draw together, tighten

constitute obvious

constrain plan together secretly

constringe restrict, limit

Group 02

construct appease; object or interest

consummate communicable; exciting a similar feeling

contagious extremely skilled; perfect contaminate form; create by imagination

content stain, pollute

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The two <u>perfect</u> artists of the ring last exchanged leather in March 2008 when Pacquiao nabbed a split decision.
- 2. Culling does not effectively control the <u>transmittable</u> cancer threatening the Tasmanian devil.
- 3. The hydraulic fracturing of gas pipe is likely to pollute drinking water.
- 4. The disconnection between workers and jobs could <u>restrain</u> the economy for some time.
- 5. Moths survive by being camouflaged, and ladybugs survive by being <u>obvious</u> and telling birds not to eat them.

- 1. distinct, manifest, concealed, patent
- 2. nominate, designate, constitute, abdicate
- 3. capsule, constrict, expand, squeeze
- 4. virtuosic, versed, amateur, veteran
- 5. infectious, incommunicable, pestilent, transmissible

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

contentious agreement; reduce in size

contiguous controversial; tending to quarrel

contort touching, adjacent

contract twist

contravene violate, oppose

Group 02

contrite problem, dilemma

contumacious recover

conundrum remorse, regretful stubborn, disobedient

convenience suitability, ease

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. However, certain apps only function in portrait mode, and simply will not twist no matter how you twist your wrist.
- 2. Security and the decommissioning of current Afghan military units have been <u>controversial</u> issues among the delegates.
- 3. After the last game, LeBron was <u>regretful</u> and admitted that not winning the championship was a personal failure.
- 4. The town was granted the royal suffix of "Regis" in 1929 after King George V stayed there to <u>recover</u> after an illness.
- 5. The case revolves around a ruling by the Spanish data protection agency that some search results violate the country's privacy laws.

- 1. bellicose, truculent, litigious, dovish
- 2. abutting, separate, juxtaposed, verging
- 3. buttress, transgress, fracture, gainsay
- 4. compunctious, remorseful, impenitent, rueful
- 5. accommodation, amenity, millstone, facility

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

convention alter; one belief to another

converge curved outward

conversant familiar

convert general agreement; principle

convex move toward one point

Group 02

convey bring together conviction complicated

convoke being convinced; proved guilty

convoluted involuntary contraction; disturbance

convulsion transport, communicate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- It's equally important to recognize the difference between genuinely not knowing the answer and lacking the <u>belief</u> to accept the answer you already have.
- 2. One needs to be <u>familiar</u> on agriculture not only for domestic purposes but for international reasons as well.
- 3. Attributes should use business names that are consistent with the business glossary and a consistent naming <u>tradition</u>.
- 4. To simplify the technological process, a technical program using WGSR, which change CO in the Coke oven gas to H₂ and CO₂, was proposed.
- 5. They demanded a ransom and developed a <u>complex</u> plan for dropping off the money without being caught.

- 1. diverge, deviate, digress, converge
- 2. acquaint, ignorant, conversant, versed
- 3. conduct, communicate, impart, withhold
- 4. adjourn, assemble, convene, muster
- 5. involved, upfront, tangled, labyrinthine

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

coop abundant

copious ceremony of crowning

coquette confine

cordon flirt; playfully treat coronation preventing line

Group 02

cornucopia destroy slowly; sarcastic corporeal overflowing amount corroborate physical, material

corrosive support with evidence

corrugated with folds

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He describes it, as many born-again Christians do, as an almost <u>physical</u> encounter.
- 2. The band featured virtuoso improvisers, <u>plentiful</u> Latin percussion, synthesizers, vocals and tropical heat.
- 3. The acidity is <u>destructive</u> to calcium carbonate, an essential ingredient of shells and coral reefs.
- 4. The choice is always ours whether we <u>limit</u> ourselves to our self-made fear or seek understanding about the true nature of our worries.
- 5. In his memory, he had to climb up onto the landing, but the video does not support this.

- 1. corral, liberate, hedge, immure
- 2. sparse, dearth, ample, scant
- 3. plentitude, plethora, pittance, affluence
- 4. intangible, disembodied, immaterial, corporeal
- 5. wrinkled, creased, smooth, folded

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

cosmopolitan deceptive imitation cosset put up with; accept

countenance revoke, annul counterfeit treat as pet

countermand worldwide, universal

Group 02

court frighten

covert inordinate desire; greedy

covetous lack of courage

cow not shown cowardice seek affection

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He characterizes anybody who disagrees with him as an irredeemably corrupt human being who holds opinions no rational person would tolerate.
- 2. Road signs dotted around the Bedfordshire town said it had joined forces with three <u>international</u> cities.
- 3. Leaders in the renewable energy industry are casting greedy eyes on all sorts of plant matter to use in making this type of fuel.
- 4. We recommend that there should be a commissioner for <u>secret</u> law enforcement in Northern Ireland.
- 5. If you do not deliver the goods as promise by the end of October, we will is compelled to cancel our order.

- 1. universal, catholic, insular, cosmopolitan
- 2. caress, slight, dote, mollycoddle
- 3. agitation, discomposure, sangfroid, perturbation
- 4. sanction, annul, rescind, revoke
- 5. acquisitive, satiable, avaricious, rapacious

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

cower crude, unrefined cozen intense desire cramped mislead, deceive crass small or restricted crave wince, cringe

Group 02

craven firm belief crease folding line credence gullible

credulous lacking courage

creek small river

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Then there is his irrepressible and omnipresent friend, Kyle, who genuinely loves him but has a streak of ridiculous opportunism.
- 2. The candidates, their public and the media jammed into a(n) <u>overcrowded</u> ballroom for the 90-minute confab.
- 3. It is obvious that a WHO publication with so much unpublished research cannot be given much scientific reliability.
- 4. To the Minotaur, humanity consisted of loud noises and a series of cowardly and fearful acts.
- 5. Invited into the home of a(u) <u>unsuspecting</u> family, the impostor announces his plan to make a film starring their adult son.

- 1. incult, urbane, uncouth, crass
- 2. yearn, pine, spurn, yen
- 3. coward, stalwart, pusillanimous, spineless
- 4. unwary, gullible, naïve, skeptical
- 5. bamboozle, rectitude, beguile, delude

List 06

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

creep depressed, dejected crescendo favoritism to friends crook gradual increase; peak

crestfallen slowly go; body close to ground cronyism turn away from a straight line

Group 02

crest extremely significant croon fall down; press, bend crouch lower body stance

crucial murmur

crumple top, reach top

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. As the music reaches into a(n) <u>increase</u>, so, too, rises the hysteria of the crowd.
- 2. The river is expected to peak in Memphis on Tuesday at a near record.
- 3. This will allow councils to make <u>important</u> links between improving sexual health and their other responsibilities.
- 4. Dogs pull their lips up, show their front teeth, and may bend down.
- 5. He said his decision had shocked his team-mates, still <u>disappointed</u> after events on Saturday when England looked poised for victory at tea.

- 1. apex, apogee, nadir, pinnacle
- 2. downcast, buoyant, melancholic, woeful
- 3. arch, uncurl, hook, swerve
- 4. decisive, pivotal, trivial, vital
- 5. smooth, rumple, crimple, wrinkle

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

crutch central or critical point crux deserving of blame

cryptic improve

culpable secret; ambiguous cultivate support, sustain

Group 02

cumbersome artful and deceptive; skillful

cunning difficult to handle

curmudgeon direct, brief, and potentially rude excessively or carelessly speedy curt irritable and complaining person

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Sixteen-year-old John Reid, who admitted guilty homicide, was sentenced to five years for the killing.
- 2. LA's costly and <u>burdensome</u> tax scheme is one that taxes businesses even when they lose money.
- 3. In other species, it seems a female's ability to make a(n) <u>ambiguous</u> choice can offer benefits to her offspring.
- 4. Let's hope they're not put off by a <u>careless</u> glance at The Globe and Mail's Ottawa Notebook.
- 5. Paul thinks the over-prescription problem may be driven, in part, by physicians who use drugs as a support when a patient's asthma gets worse.

- 1. core, trifle, kernel, gist
- 2. equivocal, nebulous, plain, obscure
- 3. censurable, reprehensible, inculpable, reproachable
- 4. handy, ponderous, onerous, thorny
- 5. fastidious, thorough, deliberate, precipitate

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

curtail abnormal or sick state of mind

cynic believe that all people are self-motivated

dabble lessen in extent or duration

daft raised platform dais superficially involve

Group 02

dally attention to appearance damper deaden, restrain, depress dandy do nothing; move slowly strikingly neat and trim

dapper wet

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. To be sure, there are obvious risks that could slow growth and put a <u>restriction</u> on many commodity prices.
- 2. To avoid annihilation by parasites, some caterpillars are able to <u>shorten</u> periods of active growth by pre-maturely entering a dormant state.
- 3. To the <u>pessimist</u>, this otherwise genuine talk is considered light and hypocritical.
- 4. My great-cousin was a <u>neat</u> chicken farmer who by the time of our last visits had become noticeably shorter than I.
- 5. He was so lovable and he just used to play silly deeds to make us laugh.

- 1. abridge, syncopate, truncate, protract
- 2. bedlam, sane, lunatic, psychotic
- 3. dillydally, lag, scurry, linger
- 4. spruce, frowsy, unkempt, slovenly
- 5. prudent, fatuous, sagacious, sapient

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dappled foolishly bold

daredevil lessen the courage dart mottled, spotted

daunt move suddenly; scorn, intended to hurt

dawdle spend time idly; move slowly

Group 02

deadpan complete failure
dearth impassive behavior
debacle inadequate supply
debark lower standing

debase unload

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Rooms are giant spaces without coherent interior design or direction, designed to <u>frighten</u> visitors through sheer size, not move them emotionally through architectural beauty.
- 2. While they're listening to all ideas, they're not in the mood to delay.
- 3. The <u>lack</u> of native suppliers to meet increasing cement demand is driving the stock price.
- 4. They were going to have to test their courage by performing bold stunts.
- 5. Yesterday, the US Federal Reserve said it will continue to <u>depreciate</u> their currency.

- 1. brash, madcap, heedful, temerarious
- 2. pusillanimous, craven, dauntless, timorous
- 3. catatonic, stolid, impassive, demonstrative
- 4. paucity, opulence, scantiness, scarcity
- 5. calamity, cataclysm, fiasco, éclat

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

debilitate deterioration, decline

decipher interpret, break

debunk first public appearance

debut impair the strength

decadence reveal true nature; prove to be false

Group 02

decant change into ordinary language decode discarded or useless material

debris pour off

decorum propriety; appropriateness

decrepit weak

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. When the queen addresses the British Parliament, she is accorded ritualized appropriateness and respect, firmly rooted in history and precedent.
- 2. If this program is successful, space rubbish becomes space resource.
- 3. The symptoms of IBD tend to wax and wane, but can seriously <u>weaken</u> some patients.
- 4. Before you all <u>discredit</u> the report from Sweden, do you really think that ALL the people affected by the WiMax knew when the transmitter was being turned on?
- 5. Despite numerous attempts to <u>interpret</u> the symbols, a full translation has long eluded scientists.

- 1. enervate, fortify, enfeeble, prostrate
- 2. belie, confound, confute, validate
- 3. degeneration, deterioration, ascent, eclipse
- 4. sturdy, decrepit, robust, hale
- 5. crack, encipher, encode, encrypt

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

default fail to pay defer inadequacy

deference narrow passage; treat with disrespect

deficiency postpone

defile willingness to yield

Group 02

deft deprive of vitality; remove water

defuse facile, skillful go against dehydrate make less tense

deify offer respect to; admire

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The Chinese ancient emperors tended to connect themselves with dragons to idolize their supreme status and authority.
- 2. Or they could try to put off action until after the election or until next year.
- 3. Even time seems to have taken a step back in <u>respect</u> to the musical rabble-rouser's resolve and determination.
- 4. Reality stars, unlike their scripted counterparts, outlive their shows, and sometimes find ways to <u>disobey</u> them.
- 5. The signs and symptoms of hypothyroidism vary widely, depending on the severity of the hormone <u>insufficiency</u>.

- 1. recalcitrance, acquiescence, compliancy, docility,
- 2. surfeit, amplitude, opulence, dearth
- 3. befoul, decontaminate, defile, taint
- 4. cunning, ham-handed, dexterous, virtuoso
- 5. aggrandize, canonize, dignify, abase

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

deject careful and thoroughly considered

deleterious fineness deliberate harmful

delicacy lower the spirits; dishearten

delirium mental disturbance

Group 02

delusion detailed search

deluge drenching rain; great flow

delve false idea

demagogue not easily satisfied; requiring careful attention

demanding politician with false claims

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It's important to note a bad relationship or bad marriage also can be <u>harmful</u> to one's health.
- 2. In a letter to Farida Singh, Mr. Hussain said that everyone connected with the incident felt sorry and <u>disappointed</u>.
- 3. But if the threat cannot be removed peacefully, please let us not fall for the illusion that it can be safely ignored.
- 4. Jones says this kind of participation is a <u>thoughtful</u> way to bring audiences into the story.
- 5. The mystery deepens for readers who <u>delve</u> into the autobiographical oeuvre of Charlie Siringo.

- 1. deject, buoy, lighten, rejoice
- 2. salutary, wholesome, adverse, innocuous
- 3. impetuous, hasty, casual, calculated
- 4. serenity, agitation, hysteria, rampage
- 5. hallucination, verity, falsehood, misconception

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

demolition destruction

demonstrate dishearten, undermine

demoralize make clear using examples; make known

demotic oppose; object

demur popular, commonly used

Group 02

denigrate depression in a surface denouement disapprove formally

denounce final resolution

dent make bare, divest of covering

denude scorn

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Politicians' employment of the <u>commonly used</u> language was championed by former Conservative minister who routinely used words like porkies, gobsmacked, and double whammy.
- 2. It said initial work on the site would be <u>destruction</u> of non-listed buildings and site clearance.
- 3. Those who attacked Mumbai wanted to discourage this city and this country.
- 4. Saying it's a cartoon doesn't dismiss it, doesn't <u>degrade</u> it, it even makes it more powerful.
- 5. Laboratory studies <u>show</u> powerful antioxidant effects from a group of cocoa bean compounds called flavonoids.

- 1. annihilation, decimation, erection, havoc
- 2. construe, elucidate, explicate, obscure
- 3. daunt, invigorate, dismay, unnerve
- 4. accede, expostulation, fuss, remonstrance
- 5. panegyric, anathematize, execrate, reprobate

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

deplete express sorrow for; criticize

deplore make complete use deploy removal from a country

deportation spread out

depose testify; remove from a throne

Group 02

deposit accumulation

depravity immoral or harmful conduct

deprecate devoted to religion devout play down; scorn

depressed unhappy

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In addition, they do not <u>exhaust</u> petrochemical (fossil fuel) resources as fertilizers.
- 2. We responded to the worst kind of immorality with the best of our humanity.
- 3. But we should <u>criticize</u> even more the partisan attempt to abuse the Constitution by misusing the impeachment power.
- 4. In another interview published on Monday, Allawi said Saddam was <u>down</u> and had begged for mercy.
- 5. But they also have helped build support behind appropriations bills, even from sincere conservatives.

- 1. devour, drain, deplete, enrich
- 2. mourn, rejoice, bewail, grieve
- 3. enthrone, defrock, deprive, oust
- 4. licentiousness, perversion, virtue, turpitude
- 5. blissful, buoyant, crestfallen, jubilant

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

deprivation careless; lacking duty; social misfit

deracinate contempt, mock derelict lack; privation deride lacking originality derivative pull out; uproot

Group 02

descend assign a position; give name to descendant deriving directly from a precursor

desecrate extend downward; pass by inheritance

desiccate make dry; deprive vitality

designate treat shamefully

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. His performance was far too <u>imitative</u> to inspire anything out of even the most curious audiences.
- 2. We use stored glucose for energy and sleep <u>lack</u> can interfere with how the body stores and processes it.
- 3. Critics now <u>ridicule</u> that so-called Asian development model for spawning cronyism, incompetence and corruption.
- 4. They can also <u>assign</u> a "referee" who receives e-mails when users report they've made progress.
- 5. The balloons are controlled by releasing gas to <u>sink</u> and throwing out sand to ascend.

- 1. conscientious, lax, remiss, slack
- 2. gibe, jeer, venerate, scout
- 3. original, derivative, groundbreaking, precursory
- 4. defile, profane, desecrate, sanctify
- 5. drench, parch, scorch, sear

List 07

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

despicable autocratic, tyrannical

despise dislike strongly despotic lacking plan

desultory loathing and disgusting detach separate, disconnect

Group 02

detain away from standard; change direction

deter diminish; draw attention

deterioration gradual sinking, decadence

detour hold, keep

detract prevent, discourage

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He said it was a relief to watch the re-entry and see the capsule successfully separate and parachute to Earth.
- 2. Meanwhile, inside the courtroom, jury selection continued at its <u>aimless</u> pace, and it now appears it will amble into its third week.
- 3. The rebels cut phone lines and laid explosives to <u>prevent</u> a police raid.
- 4. With increased security at the border, some smugglers who use trains are taking a short indirect route.
- 5. Chirac is said to <u>hate</u> Sarkozy, but to have acknowledged that he cannot do without him.

- 1. contemptible, meritorious, detestable, dishonorable
- 2. adulate, abhor, abominate, execrate
- 3. excursive, meandering, assiduous, rambling
- 4. spur, courage, inhibit, persuade
- 5. belittle, derogate, disparage, eulogize

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

detritus debris, product of disintegration

devoted devil

depreciate lower value of; lower esteem

dexterous loyal

diabolic ready and skilled

Group 02

diaphanous intended to teach diatribe lack of self-confidence

didactic long scolding; satirical criticism

diehard refuses new ideas, oppose change diffident vague or insubstantial; transparent

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Braxton strode up to the stage, entering the flow during one of the group's skilled shifts between compositions.
- 2. He proceeded to a shot of the actress reclining on a divan in a <u>transparent</u> couture gown.
- 3. The carpet was like coarse AstroTurf, and was lousy with nail trimmings and other waste.
- 4. The RCD recently ditched its president, a distinguished academic but <u>unconfident</u> leader, the coup-makers saying they wanted a more professional approach.
- 5. It lacks some apps that some <u>stubborn</u> businessmen use and some others insist on having.

- 1. perfidious, recreant, staunch, treacherous
- 2. deft, ham-fisted, ham-handed, heavy-handed
- 3. demoniac, satanic, diabolic, seraphic
- 4. vague, obscure, substantial, immaterial
- 5. hidebound, diehard, reactionary, liberal

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

diffuse bring into ruin

digress cause delay, procrastination

dilapidate enlarge, extend

dilate turn aside from main subject

dilatory verbose and ill-organized; not concentrated

Group 02

dilettante lessen; belittle

diligent low strength or concentration

dilute noise

diminish steady, earnest, painstaking

din superficial interest

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Brown later furiously criticized Mr. Chertoff for the <u>slow</u> federal response.
- 2. Regulators said physicians should be <u>hardworking</u> about prescribing the drugs only where appropriate.
- 3. Such a move would not expand competition, but rather reduce it.
- 4. To understand why I wrote that report, let me go off the point to give you some information about my background.
- 5. Almost instantly our heart rate increases, the blood vessels in the heart and lungs <u>expand</u> and set the body on "overdrive".

- 1. prolix, verbose, succinct, rambling
- 2. excurse, ramble, digress, concentrate
- 3. rejuvenate, dilapidate, renovate
- 4. contract, amplify, enlarge, dilate
- 5. industrious, sedulous, idle, assiduous

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dingy darkened, dirty diocesan mournful music

diplomatic relating to a diocese

dire sign of evil or calamity; lacking in cheer

dirge tactful

Group 02

disabuse disclaim; declare not to be true

disaffected discontented, rebellious

disarm free from error disarray lack of order

disavow reduce armed forces; lessen anger

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. We as a nation need to quickly <u>correct</u> ourselves of the fairy tale notion that such a mind is responsive to care and feeding, to persuasion, to expressions of guilt, to compromise of any kind.
- 2. Access to the stand was up a dark stairwell, the red bricks adding to the <u>dim</u> atmosphere.
- 3. Most MPs were in the past much more <u>tactful</u> about the press, especially the Murdoch stable, which, so exaggerated legend had it, could decide the fate of governments.
- 4. She says though the economy is in <u>awful</u> straits, it is important to continue to celebrate.
- 5. Decades of negligence and even deliberate destruction have left much of it in <u>disorder</u>.

- 1. bedraggled, bemired, smudged, immaculate
- 2. gauche, tactless, diplomatic, unpolitic
- 3. baleful, propitious, portentous, sinister
- 4. dissatisfy, agitate, disaffect, mollify
- 5. repudiate, concede, gainsay, negate

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

discern dismiss; free from responsibility

discharge disturb, perturb disciple follower, student discombobulate perceive, detect discompose upset, confuse

Group 02

discommode cause inconvenience

discomfit damage in reputation; disgrace

disconcert disturb the composure

discord lack of agreement or harmony

discredit put into embarrassment

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Michelle Dewberry has chosen <u>follower</u> from the last series of The Apprentice, is a classic example.
- 2. He says that the land will lie barren for parts of the year and that fields in full bloom can look unkempt, which can <u>disturb</u> suburbanites used to manicured bluegrass.
- 3. This has enabled hospitals to <u>let off</u> people who no longer need to be in hospital.
- 4. There were rumors of <u>disagreement</u> between the premier, Mahathir Mohamad, and his deputy, Anwar Ibrahim.
- 5. But part of the job of a leader on the scene is to <u>distinguish</u> what's doable from undoable.

- 1. decry, differentiate, discriminate, discern
- 2. acolyte, epigone, partisan, coryphaeus
- 3. baffle, perplex, soothe, vex
- 4. perturb, compose, soothe, tranquilize
- 5. exalt, smirch, canonize, deify

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

discrepancy being discreet, circumspection discrete divergence or disagreement discretion left to one's own discretion discretionary perceive the differences separate, discontinuous

Group 02

discursive make discontented

disdain scorn

disengage set free from entanglement

disgorge vomit; give up disgruntle without order

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. These <u>separate</u> and often contradictory messages are the consequence of a fundamental misunderstanding.
- 2. Radar sightings, while in certain respects more reliable, fail to <u>distinguish</u> between artificial objects and meteor trails, ionized gas, rain, or thermal discontinuities in the atmosphere.
- 3. After three years she decided, much to her family's <u>contempt</u>, to study design in New York.
- 4. The <u>difference</u> in names may mean that the name released by Al-Shabaab is a *nom de guerre* (pseudonym).
- 5. In the time of e-mails and laptops we are already lacking the long <u>disorganized</u> letters that people once sent.

- 1. disparity, discrepancy, distinction, community
- 2. circumspection, prudence, injudiciousness, discretion
- 3. compulsory, discretionary, mandatory, obligatory
- 4. equitable, discriminatory, impartial, impersonal
- 5. belch, ingest, spew, spout

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

disguise free from infection

disinclination lack of willingness or desire disinfect modify; prevent recognition

disjointed out of orderly function; not connected

disinter take out

Group 02

disinterested break or disunity
disjunctive destroy the integrity
dismantle lose courage; trouble
dismay lower in rank; disrespect

disparage unbiased; lack of interest or concern

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. At times the film feels like a(n) <u>unconnected</u> series of events all looking for a story.
- 2. Men often <u>criticize</u> women for being irrational, arbitrary, and more than a little capricious.
- 3. No one is that <u>neutral</u> and conspiracies in modern democracies are the pastimes of the powerless.
- 4. But Charles, a gruff, sometimes taciturn boy with a(n) <u>unwillingness</u> to show his sensitivity, soon grew disenchanted with the spotlight.
- 5. Elvira leaves, and he decides to <u>mask</u> the queen with the veil, and help her escape.

- 1. camouflage, costume, disguise, betray
- 2. aversion, partiality, penchant, relish
- 3. infect, sterilize, contaminate, taint
- 4. evenhanded, dispassionate, square, partisan
- 5. embolden, unnerve, chill, dismay

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

disparate differ in opinion; lack of harmony

dispassionate different, dissimilar

dispatch dispassionate, unbiased

dispose incline, tend

dissent promptness; deprive of life

Group 02

dissect disagreement dissemble examine, analyze disseminate pay no attention

dissension put on a false appearance

disregard spread, promulgate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Ominously for ministers, the <u>conflict</u> is beginning to crystallize around the looming health service reforms.
- 2. Johnson said he works with biologists who <u>divide</u> the sharks to gather information on shark populations.
- 3. To answer these questions, your solution needs to be able to join <u>different</u> datasets.
- 4. She demonstrated how Greenstone software helps document and <u>publicize</u> scholarly literature in a networked digital world.
- 5. They are positioning well to the left of Party, but are using their impressive chameleon skills to hide in the Tory marginals.

- 1. belittle, acclaim, exalt, extol.
- 2. identical, kindred, parallel, disparate
- 3. alacrity, procrastination, expedition, promptitude
- 4. concordance, schism, consensus, unanimity
- 5. disseminate, circulate, garner, propagate

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dissipate deter by persuasion or exhortation

dissolute disagreeable sound, discord dissolve drive away, disperse; waste

dissonance lacking moral restraint

dissuade melt, pass into solution; disintegrate; cease to exist

Group 02

distain away from center

distal expand

distend increase purity

distill loss of reputation; make dirty

distort twist

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The whiff of forthcoming defeat may <u>discourage</u> other leaders from embracing Mr. Brown too tightly.
- 2. Thus the executive question, how much sustainability <u>conflict</u> can the portfolio sustain before it blows apart?
- 3. Like all good comic actors, Diaz is willing to make herself look shallow, self-deluded, immoral, and even, at rare moments, ugly.
- 4. Mirrors are central to the production and are used cleverly to twist my vision.
- 5. Research suggests that carbonated drinks cause the stomach to <u>enlarge</u>, which makes it more likely that its contents will flow back into the esophagus.

- 1. squander, dissipate, lavish, conserve
- 2. abstinent, temperate, libertine, ascetic
- 3. unanimity, friction, schism, dissonance
- 4. acclaim, exalt, extol, distain
- 5. pervert, deform, distort, represent

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

distract agitated, insane

distraught change direction; differ in opinion

diurnal direct one's attention; trouble the mind diverge during daytime; regular publication

diversity variety, multiformity

Group 02

divert avoid divestiture deflect

divulge make known

dodder progress unsteadily

dodge taking away

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Uneven growth and widening imbalances are fuelling the temptation to move away from alobal solutions into uncoordinated actions.
- 2. Fortune Brands has been working on dividing its businesses into two companies following the <u>loss</u> of a third.
- 3. There are some tough choices and you as a party are not going to avoid it.
- 4. Biro refused, multiple times, to <u>tell</u> where he had obtained either of the paintings.
- 5. Murray's attorneys expect Faye will testify that Jackson was <u>insane</u> about completing the comeback shows.

- 1. collected, agitated, delirious, frenzied
- 2. discrepancy, otherness, diversity, analogy
- 3. deflect, swing, veer, settle
- 4. divesture, acquisition, withdrawal, dispossession
- 5. careen, lurch, gambol, waddle

List 08

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

doff continuing, not yielding

dogged doctrine

dogma inactivity, stagnation; low spirits

doldrums misery, grief

dolorous take off, remove

Group 02

dolt (provide) residence domicile controlling, prevailing dominant one that donates

don put on

donor stupid person

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Sharing information through social media has become the <u>main</u> way Internet users spend their time.
- 2. The days when we would meekly <u>take off</u> our caps to ministers or for that matter bishops and business leaders are long gone.
- 3. The thinker who takes shape in Mr. Kirsch's portrait is foremost a <u>persistent</u> and incisive reader.
- 4. Analysts said the report was further proof that the housing market is stuck in the suspension.
- 5. Don't be trapped by <u>established rules</u>, which is living with the results of other people's thinking.

- 1. amenable, intransigent, mulish, obdurate
- 2. credo, heresy, doctrine, gospel
- 3. continuation, latency, quiescence, moratorium
- 4. bewailing, dolorous, jovial, plaintive
- 5. ascendant, paramount, recessive, supreme

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

doodle gloomy; obstinate

dormant inactive, inoperative, in abeyance

dour minimize the significance

douse put out; make wet downplay scribble aimlessly

Group 02

downpour harsh, severe doyen heavy rain

doze knowledgeable or experienced person

draconian sleep lightly drawl speak slowly

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The then chancellor was seen by voters as humorless, <u>stubborn</u>, moody, aggressive, and unapproachable.
- 2. If you are going self-service, follow this up with a loofah-and-soap rub-down and wet yourself with water from the marble basins.
- 3. Marsh pushed the tribe's wildlife program to seek access, prodding them when paperwork lay inactive.
- 4. And unlike Ranieri, who was always keen to <u>talk down</u> his achievements, Mourinho knows and recognizes his own worth.
- 5. These <u>strict</u> measures could lead to a ban on the construction of private residences, particularly on the suburban fringe.

- 1. abeyant, quiescent, inert, operating
- 2. morose, sulky, gay, surly
- 3. quench, kindle, extinguish, douse
- 4. layman, maven, veteran, virtuoso
- 5. ironhanded, draconian, lenient, stringent

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dreary amusingly odd drench meaningless talk

drivel misty rain

drizzle no cheer, comfort, or interest

droll wet thoroughly

Group 02

drone easily shaped, malleable

drudgery melodious

dubious monotonously talk

ductile tedious work

dulcet uncertain, questionable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This is just the sort of meaningless <u>nonsense</u> that will make this new economic power fit right in with the business supreme of the Anglo-Saxon world.
- 2. He reacted to my travails with what I have come to recognize as his characteristically <u>amusing</u> sense of humor.
- 3. Most graduates who do find work are caught on an endless treadmill of boring short-term jobs, interspersed with unemployed spells.
- 4. Aside from Chris Martin's <u>melodious</u> tones, it seems that the PM also likes a bit of Saturday Night Fever.
- 5. A fact of great importance for geology is that brittle materials such as rocks tend to become <u>elastic</u> when subjected to large hydrostatic pressure.

- 1. sullen, monotonous, pedestrian, jocund
- 2. desiccate, sodden, parch, scorch
- 3. antic, hilarious, ludicrous, lame
- 4. drudgery, sinecure, toil, travail
- 5. cacophonous, euphonic, mellifluous, tuneful

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dullard bad-tempered

dupe become gradually less duplicity deliberate deceptiveness

dwindle duplicate; easily deceived; deceive

dyspeptic stupid person

Group 02

earnest distressingly loud earshot listen secretly earsplitting range of hearing eavesdrop serious, grave

ebullient zestfully enthusiastic

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It remains his <u>sincere</u> hope they become self-perpetuating both here and across wider Iraq.
- 2. Her vibrant and <u>enthusiastic</u> combinations of precisely measured color, like instrumental music, are felt as pure emotion.
- 3. Human-rights groups accuse Chinese authorities of <u>dishonesty</u> in such efforts to police the Internet.
- 4. Walking across the graveyard I hear the city's traffic <u>diminish</u> to a low hum.
- 5. Bieber attracted what appeared to be hundreds of fans as he briefly chatted with "Today" hosts, straining to be heard above the <u>loud</u> screams.

- 1. dullard, moron, simpleton, wit
- 2. artifice, artlessness, cunning, guile
- 3. taper, balloon, burgeon, aggrandize
- 4. irritable, peevish, amiable, cantankerous
- 5. vivacious, exuberant, torpid, effervescent

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

eccentric deviating from convention

éclat intense joy

eclipse lower state; diminish in importance

ecstasy success

ecumenical whole churches; worldwide; general

Group 02

edible bubble; high spirits

edifice depleted of vitality; lacking will

efface eatable effervesce eliminate

effete massive structure

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They can <u>overshadow</u> Australia as the leading Test-playing nation if they complete a 3-0 series win.
- 2. Lou dramatizes a society of surveillance, in which deceit and pretense serve the spirit of freedom, fear and despair <u>destroy</u> identity, and the last refuge of conscience is the commemoration of the victims.
- 3. When it comes to weird festivals, Frozen Dead Guy Days may take the cake.
- 4. Achieving this moment of <u>joy</u> easily validates all the pain and struggle of the art form by taking us for a moment to a world beyond our own.
- 5. And even now his nervous smile and <u>weak</u> hand wave suggest someone afraid to venture too far from the shore.

- 1. renown, éclat, triumph, fiasco
- 2. eclipse, ascent, deterioration, ebb
- 3. ecstasy, mania, rhapsody, sanafroid
- 4. extirpate, liquidate, emboss, obliterate
- 5. sound, feeble, robust, hale

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

effluvium disregard of courtesy

effrontery offensive smell; by-product effulgent promoting equal rights

effusive resplendent

egalitarian unrestrained in emotional expression

Group 02

egoistic charitable

elaborate complex, detailed

elastic fill with joy

elate flexible; capable of recovering

eleemosynary self-centered

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Their collaboration on the same opera in Florence last year drew unrestrained accolades from critics.
- 2. Underneath the usual unsavory smells of the dormitory was the <u>disgusting</u> <u>odor</u> of decomposing cheese.
- 3. Despite all the violence, the movie is aesthetically shaped and slightly distanced by the pictorial verve of gangland rudeness.
- 4. The primary skills of a(n) <u>flexible</u> enterprise reside around relationships of persuasion rather than control.
- 5. No matter how altruistic a person appears to be, it's possible to conceive of her motive in self-centered terms.

- 1. effluvium, stink, aroma, stench
- 2. decorum, brazenness, presumption, audacity
- 3. radiant, murky, beaming, luminous
- 4. compendious, knotty, minute, elaborate
- 5. eleemosynary, humanitarian, philanthropic, parsimonious

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

elegy bring out

elephantine expressing sorrow

elevate improve; increase; raise the spirits

elicit obscure; shape of ellipse elliptical of enormous size; clumsy

Group 02

elucidate become thin or feeble

emaciate free

emancipate go aboard; start

embargo legal prohibition on commerce

embark make lucid

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Gone are the days when a well-placed sun-lounge would <u>cause</u> envious glares from fellow guests.
- 2. Excess body fat sometimes leads to higher hormone levels, which in turn, may increase the risk of cancer.
- 3. He felt the only way to <u>free</u> himself from his parents was to move away.
- 4. Dr. Klaus Zuberbuhler explains that the key to animal communication studies is to try to <u>explain</u> why humans are so unusual in their speech and language capacities.
- 5. There's little doubt that the world is moving admittedly with <u>clumsy</u> speed and serpentine wiggles towards a free trade system.

- 1. requiem, ode, dirge, lamentation
- 2. colossal, infinitesimal, prodigious, gargantuan
- 3. elicit, evoke, provoke, pacify
- 4. nebulous, occult, unequivocal, inscrutable
- 5. shackle, enfranchise, emancipate, manumit

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

embarrass appropriate to one's own

embed enclose into embezzle encourage

embolden ornament, decorate emboss self-conscious distress

Group 02

embrace distinguished, famed

embroider give an elaborate account

emigrate leave one's country eminent making less intense

emollient willingly accept; surround

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Charles said it aimed to <u>enclose</u> sustainability in the DNA of organizations via accountants.
- 2. Turkey has encouraged Bashar al-Assad to <u>accept</u> reform in order to stabilize the situation.
- 3. If there is more to <u>appropriate</u>, more crooks may be tempted to enter government.
- 4. This verdict should be enough to <u>encourage</u> prosecutors to indict additional Wall Street executives and hedge fund managers.
- 5. Hong Kong is also the <u>well-known</u> global center for the import and export of sharkfin.

- 1. appropriate, confiscate, peculate, embezzle
- 2. garnish, bedeck, efface, blazon
- 3. renounce, espouse, abrogate, spurn
- 4. embroider, downplay, elaborate, hyperbolize
- 5. emollient, mollifying, mitigating, aggravating

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

emulate adorn; glossy surface

enact establish enamel include encomium praise

encompass strive to equal or excel

Group 02

encumber approve, support

endemic endow with rights; set free endorse impede; place burden

enervate prevalent in a particular locality

enfranchise weaken, undermine

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Bessie was the kind of girl that could enhance your performance as easily as she could weaken it.
- 2. In some places stem rust may become <u>widespread</u> before the outside world even spots it.
- 3. Membership will greatly strengthen Turkish democracy and become an example for other nations to follow.
- 4. Most of these rules apply only to licensed broadcast TV, but they could come to <u>burden</u> new media platforms and technology providers unless scrapped for good.
- 5. "Come Home, America" was a famous convention speech during the Vietnam period that served as a powerful praise to American ideals.

- 1. ratify, repeal, annul, revoke
- 2. panegyric, invective, salutation, eulogy
- 3. encompass, exclude, entail, , subsume
- 4. aboriginal, endemic, exotic, indigenous
- 5. debilitate, vitalize, fatigue, sap

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

engender cause

engross inform, instruct

enigma mutual hatred, hostility

enlighten mystery

enmity occupy exclusively

Group 02

ennoble group vocalist work

ennui listlessness, dissatisfaction

ensemble make noble

ensconce securely settle; hide ensue take place afterward

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

1. The sculpture is safely placed behind the glass.

- 2. King of The Dot has somehow managed to <u>create</u> a pride in its accomplishments that goes beyond nationalism.
- 3. Initially, researchers suggested that heat radiating from the plutonium powering the spacecraft might explain this mystery.
- 4. The precious unpredictability of the tournament survives to <u>attract</u> the rest of us when it is tougher than ever to retain and blend talent that has to be drawn from across the globe.
- 5. Administration officials say a default would <u>follow</u> that would severely damage the economy.

- 1. engender, cease, materialize, spring
- 2. bewilder, apprise, confound, perplex
- 3. amity, animus, enmity, feud
- 4. canonize, deify, dignify, humiliate
- 5. doldrums, exuberance, listlessness, tedium

List 09

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

entangle desire, interest enthusiasm lure into trap

entice plead, ask urgently

entreat tempt, lure

entrap twist into mass; make complex

Group 02

entrance articulate; make known

enunciate lasting short time

ephemeral one of discriminating tastes epic right of entering; attract epicure surpassing the usual

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The key feature of Vik Muniz artistic work is the <u>short-lived</u> nature of life and materials.
- 2. You need to speak solemnly, deliberately and <u>pronounce</u> properly in order to reduce the number of errors you see.
- 3. The U.S. fears it could further strain its already stretched military and <u>drag</u> the country in an expensive and messy conflict.
- 4. He blames what he calls a malign combination of <u>unusual</u> mismanagement and political ideology.
- 5. Small- and medium-sized companies will be offered tax breaks to <u>attract</u> them to the parks.

- 1. entangle, perplex, streamline, sophisticate
- 2. enthrall, repulse, ravish, transport
- 3. evanescent, transient, perpetual, fugacious
- 4. august, imposing, majestic, modest
- 5. beseech, coerce, solicit, supplicate

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

epigram concluding section epilogue nickname, alias

epithet represent; summarize

epitomize serene, genial equable short, witty poem

Group 02

equity ambiguous language intent to deceive

equivalent equal

equivocate lack of favoritism

erode straying from proper standards

errant wear away gradually

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. There is no point in trying to be ambiguous about what is in this report.
- 2. Shanghai is perhaps like Hong Kong a city best seen as a prologue or ending to your China experience.
- 3. An area with a(n) <u>pleasant</u> climate would be our first choice for a place in which to settle.
- 4. That moment, and those that followed, <u>represent</u> the new approach to combat stress that the Marine Corps wants to institutionalize.
- 5. There are no formal roads, and <u>non-standard</u> four-wheel-drive vehicles roar over the dirt spans like it were a freeway.

- 1. balmy, genial, inclement, equable
- 2. coordinate, counterpoint, peer, rival
- 3. hedge, blurt, prevaricate, palter
- 4. accrue, fret, gnaw, nibble
- 5. ambulant, ensconced, nomadic, perambulatory

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

erratic avoid habitually

erudite difficult to understand

escalate increase eschew learned

esoteric not constant; different from ordinary

Group 02

espouse admirable

esteem arouse enmity or indifference estimate produce a vivid impression

estrange respect, prize

etch support

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. There are plenty to choose from that would not compromise your private parts or your self-<u>respect</u>.
- 2. The sultan, who has no designated successor, is by all accounts a(n) <u>learned</u> figure equally at home in traditional Arab and modern Western society.
- 3. Stormfront has since become the grandfather of dozens of sites that <u>support</u> hatred of blacks, gays, Jews and women, deny the Holocaust and rail against abortion.
- 4. We learn that Vincent Van Gogh was much more unstable, <u>irregular</u> and promiscuous than previously thought.
- 5. That would include military cooperation to reduce odds that political tensions would <u>develop</u> into armed confrontation.

- 1. benighted, erudite, lettered, literate
- 2. aggrandize, amplify, augment, wane
- 3. dodge, indulge, shirk, shun
- 4. arcane, hermetic, recondite, shadow
- 5. estimable, infamous, censurable, reprehensible

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

eternal highly refined, delicate; spiritual ethereal infinite duration, everlasting

ethics inoffensive expression eulogize rules or standards

euphemism speak in high praise of

Group 02

euphonious equivocal, hard to find

euphoria make empty

evacuate pleasing to the ear evanescent pleasurable emotion evasive tending to vanish

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The opera singer not only has a mellow voice, but also an appropriately melodic name.
- 2. The author's descriptions of <u>joy</u> and ideas about what happiness means are entertaining and thought provoking.
- 3. This may explain why beneath his bohemian streak there lay a firm belief in everlasting truths.
- 4. Yet little lights installed in the cracks of the ceiling lend the chaos an unearthly glow.
- 5. Kentucker and Rose face their <u>temporary</u> intimacy with sharp, anti-romantic wisdom, while the more practical, less hardened Jake and Lucy suffer for their heightened ideals and expectations.

- 1. ethereal, fluffy, gossamer, ponderous
- 2. defame, eulogize, pan, stricture
- 3. cacophonous, mellifluous, melodious, tuneful
- 4. abiding, fleeting, impermanent, temporary
- 5. evasive, fugitive, plain, slippery

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

everlasting call up

evict lasting forever evince make known

evoke make more severe

exacerbate put out, expel

Group 02

exacting dig out

exalt excite the anger

exasperate raise

excavate rigorous; requiring effort exceptional uncommon, extraordinary

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Naimo's interior was designed to <u>arouse</u> a strong sense of tranquility and features hand-crafted materials throughout.
- 2. Timing and scoring the Tour de France is a(n) <u>challenging</u> and important task that mirrors the race itself.
- 3. Basildon Council is due to <u>force out</u> those on illegal pitches after a 10-year legal battle.
- 4. Although patients have normal intelligence, some may have <u>extraordinary</u> talent in a specific area.
- 5. She said the proposed reduction in primary one to three classes would worsen the problem.

- 1. eternal, perennial, temporary, undying
- 2. betray, conceal, evince, manifest
- 3. aggravate, complicate, exacerbate, palliate
- 4. exasperate, mollify, nettle, peeve
- 5. exceptional, peculiar, prosaic, unwonted

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

excoriate away from topic excrete clear of guilt excruciate criticize harshly

exculpate separate and discharge

excursive torture

Group 02

execrate dislike; declare to be wrong

exemplary make cheerful

exempt make complete use of; wear out

exhaust release from liability

exhilarate to be imitated

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The court <u>cleared</u> him of all charges after a thorough investigation.
- 2. Since the beginning, thrill rides were designed to both excite and terrify.
- 3. Their number might be the minority but their cases then become all the more <u>representative</u>.
- 4. This is the same behavior for which they <u>criticize</u> households who accumulated too much mortgage and credit card debt.
- 5. This independent chapter follows an <u>off-the-topic</u> story line that some readers of Melville's novel find very rewarding.

- 1. accolade, belabor, excoriate, vituperate
- 2. agonize, exult, anguish, plague
- 3. absolve, acquit, inculpate, vindicate
- 4. fatigue, frazzle, harass, rejuvenate
- 5. depress, exhilarate, galvanize, intoxicate

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

exhort departure

exigent exceeding appropriate limits

exodus free from blame exonerate immediate, urgent

exorbitant urge, insist

Group 02

exotic extinguish the guilt

expansive great expanse; talkative

expedite speed

expedition speed up the progress

expiate unusual

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Instead, the agreement granted the U.S. <u>excessive</u> privilege as the issuer of the world's reserve currency.
- 2. The lawsuit adds a powerfully <u>urgent</u> dimension to the issues we touched on last week.
- 3. Kate Winslet turns up as an ace investigative reporter from New York who finds the last-minute evidence that may absolve him.
- 4. Putting it in an older language, they suffer from an inability to <u>compensate</u> for crimes that they think they have committed.
- 5. The bill would ensure that the patent office has the money to <u>speed up</u> the application process.

- 1. goad, lag, nudge, prod
- 2. compelling, deferrable, exigent, imperative
- 3. extravagant, lavish, overdue, temperate
- 4. expansive, reserved, taciturn, withdrawn
- 5. accelerate, expedite, precipitate, retard

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

expire advocator

explicit die; come to end

exploit fully expressed or developed exponent notable act; take advantage of expurgate remove erroneous materials

Group 02

exquisite extreme in degree; refined taste

extant lessen the seriousness; make partial excuse

extemporize no longer existing extenuate not extinct, existing

extinct perform without preparation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Perhaps even more than for these rock-cut structures, Ajanta is admired for its paintings, probably the finest <u>existing</u> series of ancient paintings anywhere in the world.
- 2. Don't even try to <u>justify</u> their vandalism of the cemetery with the old refrain of "Boys will be boys".
- 3. Employers should not be allowed to <u>take unfair advantage of</u> migrant labor in order to undercut wages.
- 4. Sometimes you can manage to avoid all the taboos and post your opinion, but if it is couched in too <u>obvious</u> an idiom, it will get deleted almost right away.
- 5. The newspaper had to <u>cut</u> the expletive-laden speech that the criminal made upon being sentenced to life imprisonment.

- 1. elapse, expire, persist, terminate
- 2. adversary, booster, espouser, exponent
- 3. adulterate, bowdlerize, expurgate, obliterate
- 4. exquisite, ferocious, temperate, vehement
- 5. alive, defunct, extant, resuscitated

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

extinguish obtain by force extol origin, ancestry

extort praise

extract pull or take out

extraction put out, bring to end

Group 02

extraneous flow forth

extravagant free from entanglement

extricate joyously unrestrained; abundant

exuberant not relevant or essential exude spending money freely

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He said every effort was being made to <u>put out</u> the fire as quickly as possible.
- 2. Indeed, in their measured ways, Wussy's songs do <u>show</u> a serene confidence in the strength of the music.
- 3. The forum must not falter or become overly distracted by Malaysia's political problems and other <u>irrelevant</u> issues.
- 4. Settler representatives attend tourism fairs and <u>praise</u> the wonders of the region to travel agents.
- 5. Quirk's daily chic ensembles look like the latest trends on the runways or throwbacks to <u>wasteful</u> vintage designs.

- 1. blanket, douse, ignite, quench
- 2. impugn, malign, resound, vilify
- 3. adventitious, apposite, germane, pertinent
- 4. enmesh, extricate, liberate, untangle
- 5. assimilate, exude, ooze, seep

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

exult joking

fable lack of depth; easily accomplished

fabricate make up; bring into being

facetious rejoice facile story

Group 02

facilitate containing fallacy

faction make easy

fallacious no chance of failure

fallow not in use fail-safe party

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Prosecutor Bobbi Bernstein said police plotted to plant a gun, <u>make up</u> witnesses and falsify reports to cover up what they had done.
- 2. Implementing short-term expenditure programs to stimulate the economy is a very <u>mistaken</u> approach.
- 3. Bradamante is despondent, while Alcina is left to <u>take pride</u> in her latest conquest.
- 4. It's a setup that has often led journalists to make <u>superficial</u> comparisons between song- and guitar-making.
- 5. He is charged with conspiracy to aid terrorists and attempted identity theft to assist international terrorism.

- 1. assemble, dismantle, erect, fashion
- 2. cursory, exhaustive, facile, shallow
- 3. facilitate, hamper, hinder, thwart
- 4. fallacious, reasonless, sophistic, valid
- 5. fallow, inert, latent, occupied

List 10

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

falsehood imaginative fiction

falter intense uncritical devotion

fanatic satirical comedy fantasy untrue statement

farce walk unsteadily or with difficulty; waver, hesitate

Group 02

fascinate abstaining from food; firmly positioned

fast attention to detail

fastidious hold interest

fateful momentous consequences; bringing death

fathom understand; measure the depth

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Should their ambitious plans for a new software platform encounter difficulty, they will have to have a rethink.
- 2. For a man who prides himself on <u>exacting</u> planning and flawless presentation, it must have been a humiliating experience.
- 3. The Dungeon Master drops dice in his leather cup, the one reserved for the most significant rolls.
- 4. Yet an organized attack would be a kind of stupidity that was hard to understand.
- 5. Spitzer is a lawyer, a logician, a tactician, a policy <u>enthusiast</u>, but not a deep thinker or a self-doubter.

- 1. fable, mendacity, prevarication, verity
- 2. conservative, rabid, radical, revolutionary
- 3. bewitch, captivate, enthrall, repel
- 4. devout, fast, pious, treacherous
- 5. exacting, fastidious, indiscriminate, squeamish

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fatigue expressing approval

fatuous foolish

faultfinder petty criticism

favorable seek favor by flattery fawn weariness or exhaustion

Group 02

faze disturb the composure

feckless fruitful

fecund give a false appearance

feeble lacking in strength feign no worth; careless

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The annual meeting is typically an opportunity for investors to <u>flatter</u> legendary investor Warren Buffett and applaud his folksy ways and financial acumen.
- 2. Technology for centuries has been the most <u>productive</u> source of growth.
- 3. Many economists have expressed concerns that the spending cuts could threaten an already weak economic recovery.
- 4. As in humans, pets with high blood glucose levels experience extreme thirst, frequent urination and <u>tiredness</u>.
- He had taken prescription medicine, engaged in periods of vigorous exercise, declared his satisfaction with any number of <u>foolish</u> jobs and foolish relationships.

- 1. collapse, lassitude, refreshment, weariness
- 2. asinine, sagacious, sapient, , prudent
- 3. cower, cringe, domineer, grovel
- 4. faze, fluster, lull, rattle
- 5. cornucopian, lush, prolific, sterile

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fender cushioning device feral great warmth

fertilize corrupt fester make fertile

fervor not domesticated

Group 02

fervid complete failure

fetid high temperature; great passion

fetter likely to change

fiasco limit

fickle offensive smell

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The <u>wild</u> swine are a non-native species suspected of escaping from game farms.
- 2. By all accounts, he acquitted himself bravely and earned equal respect for his religious <u>enthusiasm</u>.
- 3. History has proven that Congress can be <u>changeable</u> when it comes to student interest loan deductions.
- 4. He persistently opposed the claim that government regulations are unnecessary <u>restraints</u> that keep him from achieving his business goals.
- 5. We entered the darkened bedroom, and were confronted by the <u>smelly</u> odor of plant life.

- 1. cultivated, domestic, feral, tame
- 2. ardent, fervent, frigid, impassioned
- 3. decompose, fester, putrefy, rectify
- 4. enfetter, enfranchise, hamper, shackle
- 5. catastrophe, debacle, éclat, fiasco

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fictitious being faithful delay, obstruct figurative denoting another

figurine not real small statue

Group 02

filter closing part

finale extremely meticulous, picky

finesse lacking firmness finicky remove impurities

flaccid skill; plan; keep away from

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It was faith and loyalty to the shared values that we all hold so dear.
- 2. This House should scrutinize bills in reasonable time and not procrastinate or obstruct.
- 3. He is charged with knowingly and willfully making materially false or <u>invented</u> statements or representations.
- 4. Kahn won't be around now to try to handle that political problem.
- 5. Unused muscles can also become so weak and <u>loose</u> that the arm dislocates from the shoulder.

- 1. allegiance, fidelity, perfidy, piety
- 2. extended, figurative, literal, metaphorical
- 3. contaminate, filter, garble, purify
- 4. confront, dodge, finesse, shun
- 5. floppy, lank, slack, sturdy

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

flag become unsteady or feeble

flamboyant beginner imperfection flatter flaw praise excessively strikinaly elaborate

Group 02

fledgling

fleet behave amorously

flexible draw back flinch move speedily readily changed flippancy flirt unbecoming levity

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This huge enterprise has long been a platform for inexperienced businesses to benefit from major exposure.
- 2. The root of the problem is a serious design defect in the company's webbased uninstaller.
- 3. The ceremony at the Staples Center featured a string of showy, star-studded performances and collaborations.
- 4. As the war dragged on and Irish casualties mounted, their sympathy for the Union cause began to decline, and by the end of the war many had abandoned the Northern cause altogether.
- 5. Greece denounced the report about the possible exit of Greece from the Eurozone as "not only completely untrue but also written with incomprehensible unseriousness".

- 1. emaciate, languish, sag, thrive
- 2. garish, ornate, ostentatious, understated
- 3. blemished, flawed, impaired, impeccable
- 4. tyro, recruit, rookie, veteran
- 5. facetiousness, frivolousness, levity, soberness

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

flit achieve success

flock act clumsily

florid elaborately decorated

flounder group of creatures; travel in groups

flourish pass quickly

Group 02

flout able to express

fluctuate happening by good luck

fluent healthy reddish fluky shift back and forth flush treat with disregard

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Yet despite that fillip, the weak economies may continue to struggle.
- 2. The range in normal temperatures can <u>alter</u> as much as 1 degree Fahrenheit over the course of a day.
- 3. The arias, written for display, are wide-ranging, very <u>fancy</u>, full of turbulent emotion, and challenging for the singers.
- 4. Fundamentally it believes it can create the economic conditions necessary to help the private sector <u>prosper</u>.
- 5. The flags signal to riders to slow down, but some have been seen to <u>disobey</u> the rules.

- 1. dart, flick, plod, zip
- 2. bedizened, luscious, ornate, stark
- 3. blunder, lumber, trudge, waltz
- 4. gibe, sneer, taunt, venerate
- 5. destined, fluky, fortuitous, providential

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fluster minor flaw

foible no opportunity for failure

foil prevent, defeat

foment promote the growth foolproof put into confusion

Group 02

footloose ancestor

forbearance having no attachments

forebear preface forestall prevent

foreword tolerance and restraint

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Unlike younger adults, who are often <u>unattached</u>, people between the ages of 35 and 44 tend to be putting down roots.
- 2. Hwang told reporters the moles not only passed on secrets but tried to <u>provoke</u> social turmoil in the South.
- 3. We'll be right back at the negotiating table in a few months, trying to <u>prevent</u> yet another downgrade.
- 4. We must all contribute, with patience and <u>tolerance</u>, toward a celebration of civilizations.
- 5. Maybe her supporters should stop defending her every <u>fault</u> and help her with her education instead.

- 1. abash, discomfit, faze, tranquilize
- 2. dereliction, sin, vice, virtue
- 3. abet, ferment, instigate, squash
- 4. clemency, forbearance, leniency, vindictiveness
- 5. avert, obviate, precipitate, preclude

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

forge causing fear; requiring effort

formidable free in expressing; straight to the point give physical strength; mentally prepare

fortify imitate falsely; form frail physically weak

Group 02

founder breaking

fracas easily broken or injured

fracture fail utterly

fragile help the growth foster physical dispute

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It was concerns about how regressive the switch to a flat tax would be that caused Mr. Forbes's campaigns to <u>fail</u>.
- 2. One solution may lie with her casting, which favors a <u>direct</u> briskness over the cute.
- 3. In addition, doctors often screened for osteoporosis or prescribed medication only after evidence that a break exists.
- 4. Mr. Hague believes a "global coordinated response" is required to <u>establish</u> policy on cyber development.
- 5. Euro zone leaders have said they would accelerate efforts to expand their bailout fund and <u>strengthen</u> their countries' banking systems.

- 1. dreadful, facile, ghastly, redoubtable
- 2. bluff, candid, dissembling, forthright
- 3. cement, rupture, schism, split
- 4. delicate, fragile frail, resilient
- 5. invertebrate, nerveless, resolute, spineless

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fraudulent deceptive

fraught easily vexed or troubled frenzy full; emotional distress

frequent mental agitation fretful visit often; often

Group 02

friable border

friction cold, unemotional frigid easily crumbled rubbing; conflict

frivolous of unbecoming levity; unimportant

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The reality is that the sustainability of this <u>fragile</u> desert environment is a huge concern.
- 2. Officials said they had been working with Canadian authorities to try to tackle <u>dishonest</u> claims.
- 3. Nevertheless the film has the honesty and raw emotional power to thaw the most unaffected heart.
- 4. The Hmong occupy a particularly <u>distressful</u> position on the periphery of lowland Vietnamese society.
- 5. My father never took much serious interest in gaming he thought it was no more than playful.

- 1. awash, flush, replete, scarce
- 2. delirium, fury, rampage, sanity
- 3. haunt, resort, shun, frequent
- 4. feeble, robust, crumbly, delicate
- 5. arctic, roasting, scalding, scorching

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

frothy economical

frowsy important; rich flavor frugal lessen the courage frustrate light; gaily frivolous

full-bodied slovenly, uncared-for; unpleasant smell

Group 02

fulminate attack, denunciate

fumble make awkward attempts; departure from truth

furor intense excitement

furtive rage

fury secret, by stealth

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Its mostly silent, elderly leaders appeared to <u>act awkwardly</u> as protesters mobilized support with Twitter and Facebook.
- 2. Harold Wilson, a British prime minister, used to <u>criticize</u> the "gnomes of Zurich" who speculated against the pound.
- 3. Retailers and other companies don't want to risk losing <u>economical</u> shoppers by raising prices.
- 4. Many of the youngsters attracted to boxing crave systematic exercise in negotiating their <u>anger</u> and fear.
- 5. Then, on learning that the cabinet was not always locked or monitored, I began helping myself to a secret supply.

- 1. frivolous, frothy, puerile, sober
- 2. dapper, frowsy, tidy, spruce
- 3. abet, baffle, balk, circumvent
- 4. compliment, fulminate, lambaste, reprehend
- 5. aboveboard, clandestine, covert, surreptitious

List 11

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

fussy careful; excessively decorated

fusty ineffective; not serious

futile old-fashioned

gadfly provocative stimulus

gaffe social blunder or mistake

Group 02

gainsay bet gall brave

gallant declare false; oppose galvanize irritate; ill will; boldness gamble stimulate or excite

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. With such new evidence none can deny the argument.
- 2. Michele Bachmann's latest pronouncement that has been labelled a <u>blunder</u> is pretty close to the dictionary definition.
- 3. Mostly crawled into the corners in a desperate, <u>useless</u> attempt to hide from the bullets.
- 4. The years of World War II were a hard, heroic and <u>brave</u> time in the life of our country.
- 5. It helped <u>stimulate</u> a movement led by women that would help make our society a more equal place.

- 1. fussy, inexact, meticulous, punctilious
- 2. ambrosial, fetid, musty, noisome
- 3. abortive, bootless, efficacious, vain
- 4. gaffe, indecorum, indiscretion, propriety
- 5. admit, avow, concede, naysay

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

gambol distort to mislead gangly leap about playfully garble stridently colorful

gargantuan tall

garish tremendous

Group 02

garment become gas
garrulous clothing
gash deep cut
gasification lacking grace

gauche tiresomely talkative

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In contrast to her <u>talkative</u> husband, she avoids members of the press on the campaign trail as though they had a pox.
- 2. To the socially vulgar, meal-time manners are already baffling enough.
- 3. Outside the Tibetan Quarter, Lhasa feels more like a modern Chinese city, full of colorful sights and sounds.
- 4. Most of it was dreamlike <u>distortion</u>, with an occasional alarming "memory" thrown in.
- 5. Then along came the invasion of James Cameron's <u>tall</u> big blue people in "Avatar" and the resulting 3-D mania.

- 1. frolic, caper, cavort, trudge
- 2. gangling, lanky, spindling, stalwart
- 3. belie, color, elucidate, warp
- 4. gaudy, blatant, murky, ostentatious
- 5. Iaconic, loquacious, reticent, taciturn

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

gaudy adjust

gauge easygoing, kind gear excessively showy genial free from vulgarity

genteel measurement; determine

Group 02

germane deceptively attractive gibe lacking in seriousness

giddy main point gild relevant gist taunt, deride

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. What is also surprising with your article is how you missed the boat with the more relevant reasons RIM collapsed.
- 2. The king, a <u>friendly</u> Anglophile who went to Sandhurst, is appalled and slightly baffled by events.
- 3. Michael Ballhaus provided the <u>extravagant</u>, expensive cinematography and Stuart Wurtzel equally lavish production design.
- 4. The anti-gun, abortion-rights liberal Democratic leadership does not naturally mock the many pro-gun, anti-abortion union members.
- 5. Her almost <u>polite</u> manner belies the persistence and quiet intensity she brings to her work.

- 1. affable, caustic, gracious, mellow
- 2. churlish, decorous, polished, urbane
- 3. apropos, apposite, extraneous, pertinent
- 4. elated, melancholy, intoxicated, rapturous
- 5. divergence, kernel, pivot, quintessence

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

gladiator engaging in controversy

glaze insincere or deceitful; lacking depth

glib make glossy

glisten minor malfunction

glitch shine

Group 02

gloat beyond capacity

gloomy brief explanation; attractive appearance

gloss self-satisfaction glossy smooth surface

glut without light; low in spirits

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And the housing market remains gummed up by a supply <u>excess</u>, rising foreclosures and depressed prices.
- 2. Investors should always guard against the <u>deceptive</u> assertions of pundits who claim they can detect bubbles before they burst.
- 3. The recent jobs report painted a <u>pessimistic</u> picture of the state of the economy.
- 4. This luminous photo, where the foliage appears to glint and <u>sparkle</u>, is an inkjet print.
- 5. The tactic paid off just before the hour when Captain Carlo Tevez scored a superb breakaway winner but Mancini was not in the mood to delight.

- 1. bedeck, garnish, glaze, strip
- 2. abstruse, cursory, glib, shallow
- 3. blunder, defect, lapse, peccadillo
- 4. crow, gloat, mourn, relish
- 5. façade, hub, gloss, veneer

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

glutinous eat greedily

glutton eat immoderate food goad excessively fond of eating

gobble gluey, sticky gourmand incite, rouse

Group 02

goldbrick canyon; eat greedily gorge connoisseur of food gossamer escape responsibilities goggle insubstantial; light

gourmet look long

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In his rhetoric the American People, for their part, serve alternately as a stimulation, an inspiration, a shaming device and, of course, an excuse.
- 2. Beneath the blurred street lights, ascending notes and falling flakes create the impression of a <u>light</u> arch spanning Chicago Avenue.
- 3. Its novel menu has featured items such as steamed <u>glutinous</u> rice with duck jus.
- 4. "Gourmandise" is now used to denote a gourmet, someone who truly appreciates good food and wine, rather than a(n) overeater.
- 5. Those who lazed around among the colonists were warned: no work, no food.

- 1. cloggy, fluid, tenacious, viscid
- 2. curb, exhort, propel, spur
- 3. devour, gorge, nibble, quaff
- 4. dedicate, goldbrick, parry, shirk
- 5. diaphanous, ethereal, ponderous, tenuous

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

grandeur affected grandeur; great grandiloquent extravagant, bombastic

grandiose impress

grandstand irritate or annoy grate nobility or greatness

Group 02

gratify deep sadness

gratuitous enjoy the company

green no experience

gregarious satisfy

grieve unwarranted; free

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He has smiled through success and failure, with a reputation as an amiable and sociable man, if not a model of sporting fitness.
- 2. Temples around the Cambodian town of Siem Reap awe visitors with their architectural genius and old, gray <u>magnificence</u>.
- 3. Foreign Nationals use the stolen or fabricated Social Security numbers to satisfy the employment necessities of businesses.
- 4. At Nottingham Crown Court Mr Justice Flaux said the attack was "yet another example of mindless and <u>costless</u> violence".
- 5. He spewed an eight-and-a-half-minute, <u>exaggerated</u>, profanity-laced tirade online late Tuesday, a day after he was sacked.

- 1. augustness, frivolousness, grandeur, majesty
- 2. bombastic, magniloquent, rhetorical, secretive
- 3. flamboyant, pompous, pretentious, retiring
- 4. appease, cater, grieve, gratify
- 5. warranted, unfounded, gratuitous, groundless

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

grimace complain; disturb

grin curving the lips upward gripe inspiring repugnance grisly painful contortion take pleasure in

Group 02

grotesque draw back in submission grovel feeling of wrongdoing grueling misleading, trickery requiring time and effort

guilt unpleasant to look

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. We get a lot of requests that may be <u>ridiculous</u> in nature or they may be obscene.
- 2. One major <u>complaint</u> especially revolves around the screen and its systemic lack of both finger-friendly capacitive-touch screen support and multitouch interaction.
- 3. The Dons played with style, pace and <u>cunning</u> and were great value for their win thanks to some ruthless finishing.
- 4. Obama and Netanyahu fail to recognize that we have no intention of returning year after year to the United Nations to <u>submissively plea</u> for our rights.
- 5. Flying in the pointy end of the plane makes <u>tough</u> business trips a lot less painful.

- 1. carp, fuss, grumble, rejoice
- 2. bonny, grotesque, hideous, homely
- 3. facile, laborious, onerous, toilsome
- 4. agonize, groove, savor, relish
- 5. artful, canny, guileless, sly

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

gull believe

gullible drink greedily gush easily cheated

gust exaggerated display of affection guzzle intense expression of feeling

Group 02

hack efficiently deal with; put up with hackneyed free from disturbance; affluent

halcyon free from illness

hale lack of good judgment half-baked lacking in originality

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This broken consensus about which rights, and whose rights, matter most contrasts sharply with the peaceful days of 20 years ago.
- 2. The government tries to <u>fool</u> the taxpayers into believing that their money is being properly spent.
- 3. Replace <u>outdated</u> expressions like "strong team player" and "possess organizational skills" with strong, active verbs that demonstrate results.
- 4. It added that some firms obtained land after deals with <u>credulous</u> traditional leaders or corrupt government officials.
- 5. However, this strategy could backfire since RIM will be playing catch-up with competition if it introduces ill-considered products into the market.

- 1. exploitable, cynical, susceptible, unwary
- 2. gush, exodus, spout, trickle
- 3. banal, hackneyed, offbeat, threadbare
- 4. halcyon, tempestuous, inclement, turbulent
- 5. anemic, decrepit, blighted, hale

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

hallmark conspicuous feature

hallow false idea

hallucination lacking dexterity

ham-handed repeated efforts; reiterate

hammer respect, honor

Group 02

hamper desire, yearn

hamstring lack of plan or order hangdog make ineffective hankering restrict, impede haphazard sad, dejected

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Ten years ago, nobody really thought about their wines, but now merchants are desiring after their reds.
- 2. Kim detests the old vaudeville-style buffoons who once stood as the <u>symbol</u> of Korean comedy.
- 3. This has, not surprisingly, become a matter of national concern, one that Congress tried to deal with by passing the <u>awkward</u> Communications Decency Act in 1996.
- 4. He insisted, however, his damaged hip did not <u>obstruct</u> him during the three-hour tussle.
- 5. The lack of planning was apparent in the <u>messy</u> manner in which the power outages were carried out.

- 1. consecrate, desacralize, hallow, sanctify
- 2. chimera, delusion, figment, verity
- 3. facilitate, impede, stymie, trammel
- 4. buoyant, crestfallen, doleful, melancholy
- 5. arbitrary, desultory, inerratic, haphazard

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

harangue able to withstand hardship

harass irritate; use up

harbinger long pompous speech harbor presage, foreshadow

hard-bitten provide habitat

Group 02

hardy agreeably related harmonious distress or torment harness distress; harass

harrow utilize

harry able to take risks or withstand hardship

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The music industry is often criticized for being slow to <u>combine</u> changes in technology.
- 2. Normally, such <u>stubborn</u>, journalistic places, long weathered by the daily diet of grief, mayhem and deadlines, don't witness such overt emotions.
- 3. The songs on his new release, Rise Up, continue his open <u>criticism</u> against Zimbabwe's leaders.
- 4. The police have tried to disband Mr. Zhang's group, and routinely bother him.
- 5. Even then a few tourists ventured in, and some <u>tough</u> residents moved back to farm.

- 1. bestow, domicile, evict, lodge
- 2. delicate, sturdy, inured, rugged
- 3. adventurous, audacious, gutsy, unenterprising
- 4. eurythmic, compatible, congruent, discordant
- 5. blighted, exuberant, flourishing, rampant

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

harsh arrogance

hasten coarse, rough; exacting frequent; obsess; trouble speed up, accelerate

hauteur superficial, carelessly speedy

Group 02

haven encourage havoc give attention headlong out of order hearken place of safety

hearten without deliberation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They signal that we're starting to feel better but don't necessarily <u>speed up</u> the process.
- 2. <u>Hurried</u> organization and many house moves mean the wrong shoes end up in the wrong boxes.
- 3. They often target security forces in their attempt to destabilize the country and sow chaos.
- 4. But Mc. Menemy made one crucial mistake that could have come back to trouble her.
- 5. Such reports <u>encourage</u> rebel leaders who hope a weakened security apparatus and frustrated populace will hasten the regime's collapse.

- 1. aesthetic, grating, grotesque, jarring
- 2. accelerate, bundle, precipitate, retard
- 3. bumptious, presumptuous, supercilious, unassumina
- 4. annihilation, demolishment, erection, extermination
- 5. cursory, deliberate, precipitous, rash

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

heartrending authority, dominance hedonism causing sorrow or distress

hegemony hatefully evil heinous seeking pleasure heresy unorthodox opinion

Group 02

herald abstruse, arcane

hew confirm, adhere; support heretical departing from standards hermetic make known; show indication

hesitance reluctance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. As a result, she is accused by the Inquisition of having <u>unconventional</u> Jewish tendencies and shut away in a church dungeon.
- 2. There is abundant evidence trans-nationalists plot to establish global domination and diminish our national sovereignty.
- 3. Kony is wanted by the International Criminal Court for <u>monstrous</u> attacks in multiple countries.
- 4. Martinis, consumed by the bucketful, launch anxious bouts of adultery and <u>painful</u> quarrels.
- 5. The result is a work that is both frustratingly <u>incomprehensible</u> and strangely impersonal.

- 1. carnality, debauchery, sobriety, voluptuousness
- 2. hegemony, predominance, preeminence, subordination
- 3. dissent, orthodox, heterodoxy, heresy
- 4. abstruse, arcane, esoteric, shallow
- 5. faltering, impetuosity, vacillation, wavering

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

heterodox favor established ideas

hidebound hasten hideous rise up hie ugly

hike unorthodox opinions

Group 02

hilarious extremely funny histrionic extremely old hive keep hidden

hoard place with activity hoary relating to actors

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The <u>ugly</u> new railroad, of which I own quite a few shares, runs through my front yard.
- 2. Sudeikis is a surprisingly charming leading man, and Labine is proving to be a <u>funny</u> actor.
- 3. During the past years, the city has seen a temperature <u>increase</u> almost four times higher than the global level.
- 4. The technology advances I foresee are hostage to two of the most sluggish, conservative industries in America: the phone and cable companies.
- 5. It is important to see the subconscious primordial force forever pulls readers into this old fairy tale.

- 1. brassbound, die-hard, hidebound, progressive
- 2. pulchritudinous, hideous, gorgeous, ravishing
- 3. bustle, poke, scoot, scurry
- 4. hysterical, lame, screaming, sidesplitting
- 5. cache, lavish, stockpile, squirrel

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

hoax deceive

hodgepodge ideas used by many people

homage mixture

homely not attractive

homily respect

Group 02

homogenize deceive hone dirty house

hoodwink giving exhortation hortative make standard hovel sharpen, refine

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Building multi-faceted employees means giving them opportunities to improve skills in a number of different contexts.
- 2. Thousands of inappropriate or <u>fraudulent</u> calls are being made to an ambulance service, figures have revealed.
- 3. It had to be more than paying <u>respect</u> to great writers in a new context.
- 4. You can't <u>standardize</u> the entire Hispanic audience into one bucket and say, 'Oh, we're going to reach the Hispanic audience by doing one thing.
- 5. Think how much food just 1% of the value of one of the <u>ugly</u> behemoths could provide to area food banks.

- 1. agglomeration, homogeneity, medley, potpourri
- 2. hymn, insolence, paean, panegyric
- 3. hideous, seemly, sightly, stunning
- 4. bequile, con, disabuse, hoax
- 5. formalize, destabilize, homogenize, normalize

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

hubris comply with

humble exaggerated pride

husband meek, modest; base, low

humor use economically hurricane violent rotating storm

Group 02

humility mixed origin husk modest, humble

husky outer covering; remove covering

hybrid rough

hymn song of praise

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But to experience the full-on gravitas of Afro Peru, you need to hear the rough voice of Allyon.
- 2. Schwarzenegger's story now resembles that of so many other politicians beset by <u>arrogance</u> and poor judgment.
- 3. It was a truly American story in many ways: first, achieving success despite low beginnings.
- 4. The new prime minister was forced to save the country's remaining resources.
- 5. You might think of it as an Africanized mixture of American funk and jazz.

- 1. demure, unassuming, unpretentious, supercilious
- 2. cater, defy, humor, indulge
- 3. dissipate, husband, lavish, squander
- 4. dwarf, husky, hefty, rugged
- 5. crossbred, hybrid, mongrel, purebred

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

hyperbole admires intensely

hypnotic cause sleep

hypocritical does not conform iconoclast exaggeration idolatrize not sincere

Group 02

idyll carefree experience ignite enlightened person

ignominy losing esteem

illiteracy set fire to; arouse the passions unable to read and write

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Diplomats and analysts fear the dispute over the oil-producing region could arouse a new conflict.
- 2. He also suffered the <u>shame</u> of coming fifth in a six-horse race he dearly wanted to win.
- 3. Some in the audience did not agree with this explanation, however, and called Bracken's approach insincere.
- 4. The Labor has a tendency to <u>worship</u> its "lost leaders" at the expense of those who have actually achieved ultimate power and have had necessarily to be "tainted" with the exigencies of practical politics.
- 5. The summiteers can make progress, but only if they temper their <u>exaggeration</u> with realism and humility.

- 1. drowsy, narcotic, opiate, refreshing
- 2. backhanded, genuine, feigned, phony
- 3. abhor, canonize, deify, dote
- 4. conciliate, instigate, pique, stir
- 5. clerisy, illuminati, literati, simpleton

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

illuminate complicated situation

illusory imaginary

imbibe like something else

imbroglio make shining; make clear

imitation take in

Group 02

immaculate free from dirt

immanent from the distant past

immaterial Innermost

Immature lacking complete growth

immemorial not composed of matter; not relevant

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Lots of people turn slightly red if they <u>drink</u> too much.
- 2. For a moment, he rested on his haunches by the fire, grave before this <u>ancient</u> mystery, then rose, breaking the spell, and left the room.
- 3. Laid off by the Democratic National Committee last November, Huang is at the center of the fund-raising mess.
- 4. Henin raced into an early lead and played <u>perfect</u> tennis to take a one-set, 4-2 lead.
- 5. Then a beam of sunlight will light up the central peak and the far wall.

- 1. bathe, beacon, illume, obfuscate
- 2. imbibe, guzzle, urinate, sip
- 3. coarse, chaste, obscene, vulgar
- 4. extraneous, germane, impertinent, inapposite
- 5. adolescent, full-fledged, juvenile, youngish

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

immune confine immure free from sin

immutable no sign of emotion

impassive not capable of changing

impeccable not influenced

Group 02

impecunious difficult to get through or understand

impede interfere, slow impending no money impenetrable not regretful

impenitent soon to take place

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And the defendants will likely argue that marriage is <u>unchangeable</u>, and sexual orientation is a performative act, a chosen identity.
- 2. At the same time, flamenco can seem like an <u>opaque</u> world of knowledgeable, yet taciturn initiates.
- 3. Has this "God-man" been wrongly accused or does his status mean he is invulnerable to criticism?
- 4. Too often, the easy way out is to persuade some <u>poor</u> country, or powerless minority group to take on the burden for a handsome price.
- 5. She has spent much of her career in the United States and speaks <u>perfect</u> English.

- 1. susceptible, immune, resistant, vulnerable
- 2. bastille, confine, enfranchise, incarcerate
- 3. inculpable, insidious, impeccable, sinless
- 4. destitute, indigent, opulent, threadbare
- 5. contrite, impenitent, remorseful, rueful

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

imperative empire; impressive in size

imperial extreme calm

imperious necessary; urgent, obligatory

impertinent not relevant; insolent

imperturbable ordering people; compelling

Group 02

impervious device; carry out impetuous impulsive, violent lacking reverence

implacable no entrance; not damaged or affected implement sticking to an opinion; not appeared

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Yet there is nothing <u>disrespectful</u> about the comedy in "Godspell," whose punch lines are all used to make theologically serious points.
- 2. He knew that Prabowo was bright and ambitious, but impulsive and rash.
- 3. You can begin to <u>carry out</u> soft policies that are subtle, where you can slowly inflate.
- 4. It is necessary that the process of withdrawal is taken to a speedy conclusion.
- 5. Mr. Sigoloff was inspired to dub himself Ming the Merciless, after the serial's heartless villain.

- 1. imperative, obligatory, peremptory, voluntary
- 2. despotic, domineering, subservient, tyrannical
- 3. brazen, meek, mousy, retiring
- 4. choleric, collected, composed, nonchalant
- 5. blasphemous, profane, reverent, sacrilegious

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

implode assume false identity

imposing collapse inward

importune impressive

impostor urgent request

impromptu without preparation

Group 02

imprecise boldness, disregard

impotent lacking judgment or wisdom

improvise not precise

imprudent perform with little or no preparation impudent unable to produce fruit; lacking power

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The Times Square bomb fizzle has shown the brand to be downright powerless.
- 2. This is Gringotts Wizarding Bank, a(n) grand place guarded by goblins.
- 3. He stood on the street corner, <u>annoyingly asking</u> passersby for help.
- 4. Before her arrest, Moore proclaimed her innocence during a tearful, unprepared news conference outside her home.
- 5. At the same time, governments must not waste taxpayers' money to bail out <u>foolish</u> lenders and investors, given the huge demands on resources.

- 1. buckle, explode, founder, tumble
- 2. impotent, fecund, fertile, bountiful
- 3. ad-lib, extemporary, offhand, rehearsed
- 4. imprudent, politic, prudent, tactical
- 5. barefaced, courteous, decorous, genteel,

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

impugn attack as false

impuissance by chance; lack of care inadvertent cannot be transferred

inalienable lack of power

inane lacking significance

Group 02

inanimate begin; induct into an office bodily nature; embodiment

incandescent bright; zealous incantation magic power

incarnate not living

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Texas, Georgia and Minnesota have also considered clinging to <u>bright</u> bulbs, but none has passed a law.
- 2. Let me look at the body of work before I challenge his intent, his character.
- 3. The policy states that it is wrong to shift the debate from controlling criminals to controlling lifeless objects.
- 4. You spoke of the <u>unintentional</u> release of the fact that the suspect was now cooperating.
- 5. Moreover, whatever your government does, however <u>absurd</u>, is foremost in the minds of foreign policymaker.

- 1. authenticate, gainsay, negate, traverse
- 2. clout, impuissance, potency, command
- 3. calculated, deliberate, premeditated, unwitting
- 4. abdicate, induct, inaugurate, recruit
- 5. ardent, demonstrative, impassive, fervid

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

incendiary beginning

incense pleasant smell; cause anger inception small degree; move slowly incessant tending to inflame, stir up

inch without interruption

Group 02

inchoate burn to ashes

incinerate coming into being

incipient early stage; imperfectly formed incite lacking mildness; unmerciful

inclement provoke

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. I'll see how long this second WoW mouse will hold up to my <u>nonstop</u> mouse clicking.
- 2. But the concert has been mired in controversy since its <u>beginning</u> about its timing.
- 3. El Aroud, it is alleged, inspired young men to volunteer for Jihad through her provocative Web postings.
- 4. Since 2000, three races have been bumped back to Monday, and another was shortened because of extreme weather.
- 5. Donegal County Council is to seek a license to <u>burn</u> the bodies of 33 pilot whales washed up on a beach.

- 1. conciliatory, instigative, provocative, seditious
- 2. bouquet, fetor, malodor, stench
- 3. commencement, genesis, nascence, omega
- 4. ceaseless, intermittent, perpetual, unremitting
- 5. douse, extinguish, incinerate, quench

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

incogitant accuse of a crime

incongruent inconsiderate inconsequential not conforming

incontrovertible not following reasoning; not significant

incriminate not open to question

Group 02

incorrigible cover and warm eggs; aid

incubate hostile entrance

inculpate impossible to remove

incursion incapable of being corrected or controlled

indelible incriminate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Woody Allen has an <u>incurable</u> desire to make a joke, and Jim Carrey longs to turn his face and body into rubber.
- 2. They beat detained people and <u>charge</u> them with something that they haven't done.
- 3. When a traumatic event happens like that, it makes an <u>unforgettable</u> imprint on the mind.
- 4. While Time Management for Anarchists seems <u>different</u>, it may be the only way an anarchist can succeed.
- 5. Regardless of why over-justification effects occur, it is <u>undeniable</u> that many incentives do not incentivize.

- 1. congruous, discrepant, dissonant, incompatible
- 2. consequential, minute, nugatory, petty
- 3. acquit, exculpate, impeach, vindicate
- 4. foray, irruption, raid, retreat
- 5. eradicable, indelible, inerasable, ingrained

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

indemnity accuse

indict compensation

indifferent impartial; average; lack of interest

indigenous lacking money

indigent native; innermost nature

Group 02

indispensable averse to activity, lazy indoctrinate impossible to do without

indolent instruct

inducement motive; pleading

indulgent take unrestrained pleasure

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. We may disagree about the extent to which schools should <u>instruct</u> kids with particular political or social beliefs, but it's indisputable that the world is cruel, children can be sadistic and the playground can be ugly.
- 2. Charity is a public hospital which accepts <u>poor</u> cases and those without medical insurance.
- 3. This time, the ECB would definitely ask for a(n) <u>compensation</u>, according to someone familiar with its thinking.
- 4. This situation explains why the United Nations remains the <u>crucial</u> global institution for the 21st century.
- 5. But there are some vital but unappealing jobs that <u>native</u> people, even unemployed ones, won't do.

- 1. absolve, acquit, exculpate, indict
- 2. biased, indifferent, partial, prejudiced
- 3. aboriginal, endemic, extraneous, indigenous
- 4. dispensable, imperative, necessitous, requisite
- 5. goad, incentive, deterrent, spur

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

indurate diligent

industrious incapable of being expressed ineffable incompetent; not appropriate ineluctable lack of sympathy; become solid

inept not to be avoided

Group 02

inert bad reputation

inevitable incapable of being avoided

inexorable not persuaded

infamous sluggish

infatuate unreasoning love

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He sent soldiers into war poorly equipped and left them vulnerable because of unskilled strategic planning.
- 2. The U.S. has been involved in numerous other <u>ill-famed</u> medical studies on human subjects.
- 3. But Reid's view of Japan as filled almost exclusively with <u>hardworking</u>, socially considerate people overlooks a great deal.
- 4. This was a sign to her that sex-positive culture had arrived and was now an <u>unavoidable</u> part of mainstream life in America.
- 5. They say that silicone is <u>passive</u> it does not produce any chemical reactions in the body.

- 1. compassionate, indurate, ruthless, unsparing
- 2. assiduous, industrious, indolent, sedulous
- 3. judicious, preposterous, sagacious, sapient
- 4. dynamic, inert, lethargic, idle
- 5. inexorable, obdurate, rigid, yielding

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

inferno enter surreptitiously

infiltrate fire: hell

infinite no boundaries

infirm set on fire

inflame weak in body

Group 02

infelicitous coming in

influx fill

infuse make furious

infuriate resourceful, clever

ingenious unfortunate; not appropriate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The result takes <u>countless</u> adolescent pleasure in its own nastiness and gives no pleasure in return.
- 2. With married life providing so many opportunities to pester, annoy and <u>anger</u> your beloved, I started getting self-conscious.
- 3. In these technological accidents, there are hidden pathways for the gremlins to enter the operation.
- 4. The inappropriate name only makes sense when you break it down.
- 5. Observers in the province criticized the president's words, saying they could worsen an already volatile situation.

- 1. inferno, paradise, heaven, nirvana
- 2. abscond, creep, insinuate, infiltrate
- 3. circumscribed, confined, definite, unfathomable
- 4. faltering, resolute, vacillating, wavering
- 5. apt, appropriate, becoming, infelicitous

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

ingenuity firmly established ingenuous inventiveness

ingest no cunning or guile; straightforward

ingrained take in

ingratiating winning favor

Group 02

Inherent cause to begin

inimical essential inimitable hostile

iniquity immorality, injustice

initiate not imitated

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But there were hopes that a steady American recovery would help <u>start</u> growth in other economies.
- 2. Ayler's mix of <u>innocent</u> simplicity and improvisational fervor has found a large corps of devoted fans.
- 3. John McEnroe's serve and forehand were as unusual and <u>unique</u> as they were beautiful.
- 4. The military culture is very much <u>rooted</u> in the Southern California culture in which Domeij grew up.
- 5. He was <u>deferential</u> and articulate, and smoked cigarettes with an ironic air of defiance.

- 1. banality, ingenuity, inventiveness, originality
- 2. sly, assuming, hypocritical, unaffected
- 3. expel, secret, devour, evacuate,
- 4. adventitious, constitutional, immanent, indigenous
- 5. debauchery, integrity, rectitude, virtue

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

inkling curious

innocuous introducing innovations

innovate lost consciousness; not responsive

inquisitive no injury

insensible slight indication; vague notion

Group 02

insensitive apprehending true nature insentient lacking flavor or interest

insight lacking perception or understanding

insipid lacking tact

insolent rude

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. When liberals look at red-state voters, they see either a mob of pious knownothings or the <u>numb</u> victims of militarism and class warfare.
- 2. I've met plenty of high school students that have barely an <u>idea</u> about computing technology.
- 3. The collection of hair was one of the more <u>harmless</u> efforts of anthropologists at the time.
- 4. They expected questions from their son, a(n) <u>curious</u> boy who takes advanced classes at school.
- 5. We need a fine balance, not a(n) <u>disrespectful</u> civil society or a tyrannical state.

- 1. anodyne, benign, innocuous, pernicious
- 2. indifferent, inquiring, investigative, prying
- 3. genteel, incult, polished, refined
- 4. discerning, insentient, sagacious, sapient
- 5. courteous, supercilious, insolent, impudent

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

insouciant enter, impart

instate establish in rank, appoint instigate establish; organization instill free from concern urae forward, stir up

Group 02

insubordinate detached situation

insular incapable of being perceived insulate narrow provincial viewpoint

insurgent not submissive intangible oppose authority

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In Kashmir, for example, Pakistan is widely believed to help train and fund local resistant groups.
- 2. But questions were raised over whether the Dusseldorf court had the right to <u>establish</u> an EU-wide ban.
- 3. The raids cemented a mistrust of government, sending church members further into their narrow-minded society.
- 4. Technology is often packaged in the form of tangible assets, <u>immaterial</u> property, and knowledge and skills.
- 5. They remain remarkably <u>carefree</u> compared with Europeans, who have lived through less spectacular but more sustained terrorist campaigns.

- 1. bliss, careworn, insouciant, nonchalant
- 2. designate, inaugurate, nominate, oust
- 3. abrogate, efface, institute, rescind
- 4. contumacious, docile, mutinous, recalcitrant
- 5. cosmopolitan, insular, parochial, provincial

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

integral adherence to moral codes; being whole

integrity essential; not lacking any part

intelligible make intense intemperate not temperate intensify understandable

Group 02

inter closely joined intercessor forbid; stop

interdict interval of time; for the time being

interim mediator

interlock place in grave

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- But the Pakistanis are definitely saying that they're trying very hard to <u>ban</u> any attempt by any of these Arab fighters to move across the border into Pakistan.
- 2. Although Rule 17 addresses funding, it is perhaps even more about <u>essential</u> management and planning.
- 3. He knows where he stands, he knows what he has let himself in for and the consequence of his extreme actions or even words.
- 4. The <u>uprightness</u>, the naturalness, the core values of the man were definitely inspiring and uplifting.
- 5. When they are pressed together just a little bit, the teeth <u>interconnect</u>, and they become solid.

- 1. integral, redundant, superfluous, surplus
- 2. accessible, fathomable, lucid, recondite
- 3. bridled, checked, curbed, indulgent
- 4. abate, accentuate, assuage, attenuate
- 5. interdict, prohibit, proscribe, sanction

List 14

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

interminable break

intermittent close association; communicate indirectly

interregnum no end

interrogate not continuous or regular

abbreviate reduce

Group 02

intimidate frighten

intoxicant intoxicating agent refusal to compromise

intrepid resolutely fearless

intrigue secret plan; arouse curiosity

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. CAL's problems, Kupferschmied told Asiaweek, were caused mainly by a(n) stubborn corporate culture rooted in military heroism and risk-taking.
- 2. Yet the architects of these <u>endless</u> wars are lobbying to embark on another military adventure in Libya.
- 3. Mr. Murdoch's newspapers were used to bully and <u>threaten</u> political leaders and individual politicians.
- 4. This also reduces stress on the connectors preventing <u>discontinuous</u> signal loss due to loose cable connections.
- 5. This is the reason Pakistan would be reluctant to let the Americans <u>question</u> them without properly debriefing them first.

- 1. ceaseless, complete, everlasting, perpetual
- 2. erratic, incessant, periodical, recurrent
- 3. continuity, interim, interlude, parenthesis
- 4. allude, articulate, connote, intimate
- 5. compliant, pliable, intransigent, yielding

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

intrinsic accustom

intuitive cover with flood

inundate essential inure instinctive

invective insulting, abusive

Group 02

inveigh cause discontent inveigle firmly established

inventory list of all goods; short statement

inveterate protest vehemently invidious win over by coaxing

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It was a triumphant moment for the president, the <u>firmly established</u> anti-Communist who had seen a geopolitical opportunity and seized it boldly.
- 2. The rapid pace of planned steps, synchronized to bring all along the road to peace, surprised those so <u>used</u> to failure.
- 3. By <u>tricking</u> their way into close working relationships with their Libyan counterparts, British spies were merely doing their job, insist MI6.
- 4. Colleagues, projects, shopping lists, homework, and even simply maintaining relationships all of that would <u>overwhelm</u> us again.
- 5. Keller might be sphinxlike in newsroom meetings, but he was quick to unleash abusive in e-mail responses to critics.

- 1. congenial, constitutional, extrinsic, inherent
- 2. avalanche, deluge, drain, submerge
- 3. fortify, indurate, steel, undermine
- 4. adulatory, scurrilous, vitriolic, vituperative
- 5. abhorrent, agreeable, obnoxious, odious

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

invigorate easily provoked anger

invincible extremely angry

invoke impart vigor or energy

irascible incapable of being conquered irate put into effect; be the cause

Group 02

iridescent impossible to eliminate

irk incapable of being factored

ironclad lustrous colors

irradicable source of irritation; irritating

irreducible unbreakable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The obstreperous foreign merchants <u>enforce</u> the principles of free trade to justify opium exports to China.
- 2. This fiasco will signal the death of the idea that Arab leaders are unbeatable.
- 3. But when these beetles die and become fossilized, how much of that <u>shining</u> beauty is preserved?
- 4. The program is intended to <u>enliven</u> the economy by getting Americans to spend more.
- 5. His direct, <u>touchy</u>, sometimes even folksy style appealed to many when things were going well.

- 1. dampen, debilitate, emaciate, invigorate
- 2. execute, implement, invoke, suspend
- 3. exasperated, halcyon, infuriated, wrathful
- 4. ironclad, frail, tenacious, hardy
- 5. affable, choleric, peevish, petulant

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

irrigate depleted in strength or patience

irritate matter in dispute; flow out

issue provoke anger jabber supply water; flush

jaded talk rapidly or indistinctly

Group 02

jape bias

jargon harsh, discordant; strong emotional reaction

jarring mock

jaundice specialized or technical language

jaunty sprightly, lively

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Beyond trying to learn English, she was also lost in a mess of sports terminology.
- 2. Even the most <u>tired</u> traveler succumbs to the spectacle of Santorini's surreal landscape and dramatic sunsets.
- 3. Mr. Tarhouni's comments mark a <u>harsh</u> change in tone for Libya's leadership toward Qatar.
- 4. You could call it "museum sexy" as much a tourist attraction for its <u>lively</u> design as its contents.
- 5. It may <u>anger</u> those who cannot accept the diagnosis of delusional infestation.

- 1. drain, flush, irrigate, rinse
- 2. assuage, gall, placate, propitiate
- fatigued, prostrate, spent, spirited
- 4. jest, jape, chaff, revere
- 5. amity, animosity, animus, rancor

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

jejune agree; gibe, scorn

jest cast off

jeopardy frivolous manner

jettison not interesting; annoying

jibe risk, danger

Group 02

jingoist extreme and belligerent nationalism

jitter joking, playful

jocular panic, nervousness jocund slow movement; rouse jog sprightly and lighthearted

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. She got away with a <u>playful</u> jibe at the expense of her guests about Ireland's recent victories at rugby and cricket.
- 2. More games seem sure to be canceled, and the entire season could be in <u>danger</u>.
- 3. The book is a pleasure to read, rich in anecdotes and never <u>boring</u> or academic.
- 4. The Obama plan would force Washington, he added, to make "hard choices" about which spending to <u>abandon</u>.
- 5. The speed with which the tumor grew back didn't <u>agree</u> with the prevailing notion that most tumors grew in a simple exponential fashion.

- 1. gripping, jejune, intriguing, riveting
- 2. butt, derision, mockery, solemnity
- 3. imperilment, peril, security, jeopardy
- 4. chauvinist, dove, pacifist, peacenik
- 5. blithesome, lachrymose, saturnine, morose

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

jolt good-humored; convivial

jot range of vision

jovial sound judgment, prudent

ken suddenly move judicious write briefly

Group 02

juggernaut detain by unlawful force

jubilant of similar origin

kidnap overwhelming force

kindle joyful

kindred set fire to; ignite

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Yet his presidency, which ended in 2003, was marked by a <u>cheerful</u> eccentricity that endeared as well as repelled.
- 2. The U.S. sees the U.N. bid as undermining efforts to <u>stimulate</u> peace talks with Israel.
- 3. Defenders of the current drone program take umbrage at the suggestion that the program isn't wise.
- 4. Nor does one become a Christian by a negative attitude toward life: refraining from drinking, smoking, swearing, adultery, idolatry, or <u>similar</u> sins.
- 5. The move will force skeptics to consider once closed doors now readily open up for the mobile superpower.

- 1. dour, gleeful, jocular, jolly
- 2. douse, extinguish, quench, torch
- 3. exulting, rejoicing, saturnine, triumphant
- 4. daft, intelligent, prudent, tactical,
- 5. congenial, distinct, frictionless, kindred

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

knack clever stratagem or way knead difficult, complicated knit fame; acclaim or praise

knotty join closely

kudos shape by folding

Group 02

labile cause pain

laborious extremely complex

labyrinth Industrious; long, hard work

lacerate lacking brightness

lackluster unstable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But personal incomes edged up just 0.3 percent, raising new worries about uninspiring income growth.
- 2. But in the midst of Halvorson's mind-bogglingly <u>complicated</u> guitar work, there's a backbone of smart jazz composition on Saturn Sings that reaches deeper.
- 3. But for Sospeter and the other visually impaired students at Mvumi, note taking is a painstaking process.
- 4. They will probably find her, since she continues to win <u>credit</u> for her risk-taking productions.
- 5. Some are stripped and left standing in the snow, chased by vicious dogs or chained in cuffs that hurt the ankles or wrists.

- 1. gambit, gaffe, ploy, sleight
- 2. braid, plait, ravel, weave
- 3. baroque, byzantine, labyrinthine, pellucid
- 4. kudos, distinction, homage, notoriety
- 5. capricious, mercurial, stationary, volatile

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

laconic expression of grief; resentment

lachrymose harsh satire

lambaste minimum of words; concise

lament mournful scold sharply

Group 02

lamentable become feeble languid deplorable, pitiable

languish inertness; weakness or weariness

languor lacking energy; relaxed lank long and limp; not stiff

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. One of them, Finckenstein, described her as "blonde, tall, with a beautiful figure, refined and relaxed in manner.
- 2. About 50 of the trapped miners' friends and relatives quietly waited outside, some of them <u>tearful</u>.
- 3. He was ours from his craggy appearance and <u>brief</u> style to his directness and honesty.
- 4. But below, in the river, the Rhinemaidens cry for the loss of their precious gold.
- 5. Overall, the candidates tended to <u>criticize</u> Obama, with knocks for his policies on energy, Libya, the minimum wage and health care reform.

- 1. circuitous, compendious, prolix, rambling
- 2. jovial, lamentable, lugubrious, melancholy
- 3. belabor, carol, castigate, reprimand
- 4. dirge, elegy, exult, requiem
- 5. burlesque, caricature, ode, parody

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

lapse diminished energy largesse hard strike; bind

lash liberality

lassitude potential but not evident

latent slight error; end

Group 02

latitude expressing praise

laudatory extravagant and profuse

lavish freedom

leaven mingle or permeate leer sidelong glance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Most of these likely resulted from <u>hidden</u> infections acquired years earlier abroad.
- 2. But in Thursday's interview, he sought to turn his <u>slight error</u> in thinking to his advantage.
- 3. Michael Ballhaus provided the gaudy, inexpensive cinematography while Stuart Wurtzel the wasteful production design.
- 4. And some argue that while Washington's <u>generosity</u> may have helped some students, it did little to hold down prices.
- 5. Despite military censorship, its press still enjoys <u>freedom</u> that is unequalled in the region.

- 1. blunder, coup, gaffe, peccadillo
- 2. bountiful, munificent, parsimonious, philanthropic
- 3. languor, listlessness, prostration, vim
- 4. evident, latent, manifest, palpable
- 5. dissipate, economize, fritter, squander

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

leery handed down from an ancestor

legacy merciful, generous

legend numerous; large body of men

legion popular myth lenient suspicious

Group 02

lethal creates difficulty; responsibility

lethargic extremely harmful

levelheaded frivolity; light-heartedness

levity sensible liability sluggish

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And there are psychological benefits, too: Singing aloud leaves you with a sense of cheerfulness and contentedness.
- 2. Judges said the <u>merciful</u> sentence was intended to highlight the strain on parents as full-time carers.
- 3. The war left a result of seemingly forever pain and suffering.
- 4. Anemic children do not look very different from others, but they often become tired and have a reduced capacity for learning.
- 5. He had a <u>sensible</u> understanding of the frailties of his fellow men, Mr. Armstrong notes, yet he did not despise them.

- 1. credulous, leery, skeptical, wary
- 2. antecedence, bequest, heritage, patrimony
- 3. clement, lenient, savage, sparing
- 4. baleful, mortal, pestilent, salubrious
- 5. gravity, flippancy, soberness, solemnity

List 15

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

liberalist flexible

libertine not bound; generous not firm; lacking strength show as similar, compare limber without moral restraint

Group 02

licentious easily bent

limpid lacking moral restraints; strong sexual desire

linger proceed slowly lissome set at an angle

list transparent clearness; no agitation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Honda's demonstration was not only to prove that the bubble-headed childlike machine was more flexible and a bit smarter.
- 2. He was pale, with <u>weak</u> blond hair combed straight back from his oblong forehead.
- 3. Selling a house in which children were raised and memories <u>remain</u> can be emotionally challenging.
- 4. The deer's <u>clear</u> eyes stared down at anyone who entered the front door, above which a plaque read: home is where the heart is.
- 5. She became his complaisant partner for life and his second wife apparently indulgent of his extravagant and unrestraint ways as well as his alcoholism.

- 1. conventional, hidebound, radical, stodgy
- 2. ascetic, backslider, pervert, profligate
- 3. concupiscent, frigid, lascivious, libidinous
- 4. lissome, pliable, stiff, supple
- 5. erect, heel, pitch, tilt

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

lithe dislike

loath elevated, rising; feeling superior loathe flexible and graceful; easily bent

lofty lazily move reluctant

Group 02

lopsidedexcessively talkativeloquaciouslacking in balanceloutishreduce frictionlubricatestupid and boorish

lucid suffused with light; easily understood

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. For me the simplest diagnosis is that, as much as I love traveling, I <u>hate</u> leaving home.
- 2. Gerry Boyle is a corpulent, crusty, poker-faced loner of a police officer who makes the Quiet Man seem downright <u>talkative</u>.
- 3. Although the two chefs are resolute Francophiles, they are <u>reluctant</u> to serve a traditional French sauce.
- 4. The <u>unequal</u> relationship continued when the microprocessor market came into being in the 70s and 80s.
- 5. Whether that will be enough to support Facebook's <u>superior</u> valuations remains to be seen.

- 1. agile, clumsy, feline, nimble
- 2. chivalrous, ignominious, magnanimous, sublime
- 3. aslant, level, oblique, skewed
- 4. garrulous, loquacious, reticent, voluble
- 5. desiccate, grease, slick, wax

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

lug cause to follow; carry laboriously

lugubrious lull children to sleep

Iull momentary halt; free from distress

lullaby mournful

lumber tree logs; move with clumsiness

Group 02

luminary eminent person

lurch growing vigorously; producing abundantly

lurk lie in wait lush shiny

lustrous sway, waver

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In addition, a muffled explosion could be heard, following a <u>stop</u> in the exchanges.
- 2. The relaxing, <u>lavish</u>, green valley between rugged mountains has become fertile ground for beer's main ingredient.
- 3. Martin Starr is a morosely unattractive Russian-lit major who complains about everything in the <u>sad</u> drone of a campus coffee-shop wit.
- 4. This seems like a neat way to eradicate killer bacteria that <u>lie waiting</u> on surfaces in hospital rooms.
- 5. An irreplaceable <u>celebrity</u>, I rarely missed his show which, in our disfigured society, was a calming and pacifying balm in our midst.

- 1. lug, tow, propel, tug
- 2. dolorous, jocund, melancholy, plaintive
- 3. agitate, compose, salve, tranquilize
- 4. flounder, glide, stumble, trudge
- 5. march, reel, stride, swagger

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

luxurious horror of death

lyric showing wealth and comfort

macabre soften by soaking

macerate spot, blemish

maculate suggestive of poetry or music

Group 02

maelstrom bodily discomfort

magnificent lack of nimbleness, not adroit opposition; dissatisfaction

malaise strikingly impressive

malcontent violent whirlpool; turbulent situation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Lack of access to basic services remains the most worrisome <u>discomfort</u>, dragging down India's social indicators.
- 2. While math was like a <u>glorious</u> imaginary building for Tengo, literature was a vast magical forest.
- 3. To add insult to injury, Zambrano has been nothing but a <u>dissatisfied</u> and has thoroughly embarrassed the Cubs for years.
- 4. Communism and isolationism, though they helped unify the country, provided incomplete and <u>flawed</u> answers.
- 5. Occasionally, he made damp, <u>awkward</u> efforts at humorous small talk, but the result inflicted discomfort bordering on pain.

- 1. deluxe, lavish, palatial, spartan
- 2. abstemious, decadent, indulgent, sybaritic
- 3. atrocious, enchanting, ghastly, gruesome
- 4. besmirch, dot, purify, stain
- 5. adroit, deft, dexterous, gauche

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mandatory capable of being shaped malign cause pain; utter injuriously

malinger forcing compliance

malleable pretend illness malodorous unpleasant smell

Group 02

malicious contemptible

mangle deliberately harmful

mangy injure, ruin

mania intense enthusiasm obvious; make evident

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Each ingredient works like a color, distinct but <u>flexible</u> when combined with other elements.
- 2. The difficulties <u>show</u> themselves, one after the other, as their effects ripple through the system.
- 3. Microsoft recently released anti-spyware software that helps people find and remove the <u>harmful</u> programs.
- 4. Seroquel XL is a prescription-only anti-psychotic drug used to treat several disorders including schizophrenia, craze and bipolar depression.
- 5. In this steamy, frantic, ugly, often <u>smelly</u> megalopolis, the people know how to live.

- 1. altruistic, malevolent, spiteful, vicious
- 2. eulogize, extol, vindicate, traduce
- 3. elastic, pliant, refractory, supple
- 4. ambrosial, musty, savory, scented
- 5. mutilate, disfigure, rehabilitate, lacerate

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

manipulate artificial

mannered release from slavery manumit skillfully operate

manuscript spoil the appearance; impair

mar written by hand

Group 02

marsh grind, pulpy mass

martinet insincere display; disguise

marvel strict disciplinarian masquerade surprise, admire

mash wet land

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Apps can appear to be bona fide software or sometimes <u>fake</u> as stripped down free versions of well-known games.
- 2. But the hope is that Azerbaijan will at least try to avoid international criticism which could <u>damage</u> the celebrations.
- 3. They will also <u>free</u> stock-market transfers and lift a longstanding ban on holding companies.
- 4. Indeed, I am disturbed that the President would attempt to <u>control</u> each and every word.
- 5. Rajaratnam used to <u>admire</u> how an outsider like himself had succeeded so thoroughly as an insider.

- 1. fumble, machinate, manipulate, maneuver
- 2. assumed, factitious, genuine, pseudo
- 3. emancipate, enfetter, liberate, loose
- 4. blemish, compromise, cripple, embellish
- 5. betray, disquise, masquerade, pose

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mastery admit or be admitted matriculate does not conform

maudlin expert

maven of great skill

maverick tearfully sentimental

Group 02

mawkish deficient

meager ignoble; sharing little mean move aimlessly and idly

meander sentimental

measly small

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In other years the jet stream is relatively weak, and like a sluggish river it will wander widely on its travels.
- 2. That <u>overemotional</u> scene from the movie "The Champ" has since been used in hundreds of experiments gauging the effects of sadness.
- 3. Just a few weeks ago media <u>expert</u> Oprah Winfrey said farewell to her 25-year syndicated daytime show.
- 4. U.S. nonfarm payrolls added 103, 000 jobs in September, well ahead of the poor consensus estimate for 60, 000.
- 5. Loudly cheered by supporters, the high-profile <u>individualist</u> boldly articulates a blend of nativism, protectionism and isolationism.

- 1. deftness, finesse, sloppiness, virtuosity
- 2. commence, enroll, inscribe, recruit
- 3. blithe, mawkish, maudlin, sentimental
- 4. bohemian, conformist, heretic, iconoclast
- 5. bountiful, exiguous, scanty, sparse

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

measured bring about an agreement meddle deliberated, calculated

mediate intrude mediocre mixture

medley moderate to inferior

Group 02

meek exaggeratedly emotional

meet humble, gentle mellifluous intention to harm melodramatic smooth and sweet

menace very proper

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Meadows presents a startlingly odd mix of near-treacly sentimentality and looming threat of extreme violence.
- 2. The front camera seemed <u>ordinary</u> to me, and I found the sound to be too faint.
- 3. She wanted to dance again at carnival, listen to Celine Dion's <u>sweet</u> voice and play tennis on her Wii.
- 4. Many businessmen still doubt that he has wholly junked his party's old zeal to interfere with the economy.
- 5. <u>Intentional</u> use of force by States against civilians is already banned by international law.

- 1. interlope, meddle, omit, snoop
- 2. bumptious, haughty, meek, pompous
- 3. cacophonous, dulcet, euphonious, mellifluent
- 4. compromise, imperil, jeopardize, rescue
- 5. headstrong, intractable, obedient, refractory

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mendacious changeableness of mood

mentor deserved

mercenary guide, give advice

mercurial hired soldier; desire for money

merited telling lies

Group 02

mesh attracting

mesmeric beyond the universe; theoretical

metamorphose brief, transitory

metaphysical catch

meteoric change form

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He is a political John McEnroe, known for both his <u>changeable</u> temperament and his tactical brilliance.
- 2. Short of adopting a(n) <u>abstract</u> definition, he adds, scientists need to reconceptualize what it means to be human in a broader sense.
- 3. We must destroy this deceitful, shallow, ineffective, <u>dishonest</u>, fraudulent government, once and for all.
- 4. Montana Fishburne cited Kardashian's <u>temporary</u> rise as the inspiration for her foray into the adult industry.
- 5. Hopkins plays the monster with a fine, cold relish: he gives the character a attractive animal stillness, the terrifying opacity of a cobra.

- 1. deceitful, fallacious, spurious, veracious
- 2. comply, pilot, shepherd, tutor
- 3. capricious, immutable, temperamental, volatile
- 4. condign, due, gratuitous, warranted
- 5. alluring, captivating, loathsome, riveting

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

methodical annoy, offend

meticulous extreme or excessive care

mettle moving from one region to another

miff strength of spirit; stamina

migratory systematic order

Group 02

milk a sign of evil coerce profit

mimic copy or exaggerate to mock minatory cut into small pieces; short steps

mince model, copy

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Development of the integrated circuit in the early 1960s continued the threatening sanction process.
- 2. We have microbiologists who are <u>careful</u> about treating infections, and our nurse specialists manage these extraordinary wounds.
- 3. They can entertain with eccentricity or anecdotes, <u>annoy</u> with their stubbornness, seduce with hospitality and amaze with feats of strength.
- 4. Regional bureaucrats <u>drain</u> the country, extorting graft from the populace and looting local treasuries.
- 5. Existing pollution control technologies have demonstrated their <u>courage</u>, and they need to be further deployed throughout the nation.

- 1. conscientious, feckless, punctilious, scrupulous
- 2. cravenness, fortitude, pusillanimity, spinelessness
- 3. exasperate, incense, ire, propitiate
- 4. migrant, mobile, nomadic, sedentary
- 5. doomy, portentous, reassuring, sinister

List 16

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mingle abundant amount; unmarred minimize careful; of small importance

mint reduce to smallest; underestimate minuscule Participate in social activities; mix

minute very small

Group 02

minutia deep distrust of human, cynical mirage difficult situation; hold back

mire gladness mirth illusory

misanthropic minor detail

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Trilling and his cohort were tempted by the glittering <u>illusion</u> of a worker's paradise.
- 2. Prince William and Catherine will <u>mix</u> with military veterans gathered at Sony Studios for a job fair.
- 3. At the center is a <u>tiny</u> opening, called a micropyle, through which the sperm enters the egg.
- 4. This is bad news for Japan, which desperately needs its exporters to help lead it out of the post-quake economic <u>swamp</u>.
- 5. Hand your player to some clueless friends and watch with joy as they turn it every which way they can trying to work out why they can't open it.

- 1. amalgamate, intermix, merge, sunder
- 2. belittle, magnify, trash, vilipend
- 3. intact, pristine, stale, virginal
- 4. atomic, elephantine, gargantuan, prodigious
- 5. chimera, hallucination, phantom, veracity

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

misbehaving childish misbehavior

mischievous criminal or vicious person

misconstrue less serious crime miscreant misinterpretation

misdemeanor naughty, teasing; causing harm

Group 02

miserly bad fortune

misfortune doubt

misgiving give misleading representation

mishap mean and penurious misrepresent unfortunate accident

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Doing so could help ensure that Tehran doesn't <u>misinterpret</u> covert actions that the U.S. sees as self-defense.
- 2. It says the aim of its proposal is to reduce damage "inflicted by the <u>naughty</u> and the malicious.
- 3. Elkins says whoever is responsible could face <u>crime</u> charges, but that there were apparently no witnesses.
- 4. Old Guards and conservatives in and outside the communist party accepted Deng's reform policies, but with a great deal of <u>doubt</u>.
- 5. By no means did Hendry partake in <u>tightfisted</u> behaviors or mismanage the franchise well beyond repair.

- 1. devious, impish, mischievous, urbane
- 2. anodyne, detrimental, nocuous, pernicious
- 3. brute, cavalier, fiend, villain
- 4. felony, infraction, infringement, peccadillo
- 5. apprehension, certitude, skepticism, misgiving

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mite capable of moving; changeable mitigate lessen the intensity; within limits

mobile make less severe

mockery ridicule

moderate small object

Group 02

modicum calm

mollify of utmost importance
mollycoddle shed hair or feathers
molt small portion or quantity

momentous treat with excessive indulgence

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Today's victory on home soil will be remembered even more fondly than that significant day.
- 2. We expect China to maintain very strict security measures to <u>lessen</u> major disturbances.
- 3. In this league many coaches have been indulge their team's star players.
- 4. He has taken on a more restrained diet since his last unexpected hospital visit.
- 5. During House debate, critics said the provision makes a <u>ridicule</u> of the U.S. immigration system.

- 1. bundle, iota, pittance, trace
- 2. allay, aggravate, mollify, palliate
- 3. derision, mock, scoffing, veneration
- 4. affluence, iota, mite, modicum
- 5. abuse, mollycoddle, cosset, pamper

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

momentum by one actor

mongrel impetus, motivation

monochromatic mixed origin

monologue one color; lacking variety monotonous unvarying tone; tedious

Group 02

montage approaching death; obsolete

moratorium biting and caustic

morbid by disease; unwholesome

mordant collection, mixture

moribund suspension

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Though the Libyan government forces appeared to advance on the ground, the opposition gained <u>motivation</u> internationally.
- 2. The internet will surely influence teaching, and for-profit companies are bound to shake up a <u>dying</u> marketplace.
- 3. It's <u>harsh</u> and bizarre, jaunty and grim, and probably the only song to ever recall Lee Hazlewood and Dean Martin at the same time.
- 4. Also, the young actress who plays the daughter, Ting-Ting, shows her inexperience with a boring performance in a major role.
- 5. Countries hard-hit by these disasters were allowed a debt <u>suspension</u> of from one to three years.

- 1. deterrent, goad, impetus, instigation
- 2. iridescent, monochromatic, motley, variegated
- 3. abeyance, doldrums, latency, resumption
- 4. diseased, morbid, pathological, verdant
- 5. archaic, moth-eaten, nascent, rusty

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

morose capable of movement

mosaic collection

mosque Muslim building for worship

moth-eaten passed its time sullen, gloomy

Group 02

motivate expressing sorrow motley guiding principle mottle mark with spots

motto provide with incentive

mournful variety

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The U.K. Peak Oil Task Force is a small and surprisingly <u>diverse</u> crew of businesses.
- 2. Consequently, many public providers continue to escape the competitive pressures that would likely <u>inspire</u> optimal performance.
- 3. He wore gray pants that were too big for him, a T-shirt with no message on it, and a dated jacket.
- 4. Kumar was fastidious and <u>sad</u>, travelling at least thirty thousand miles a month for work, and seldom socializing.
- 5. The <u>moveable</u> rear wing appears to be quite easy for us in the simulator.

- 1. bleak, dire, sanguine, saturnine
- 2. dishearten, galvanize, innervate, provoke
- 3. kaleidoscopic, heterogeneous, homogeneous, magpie
- 4. blanch, dapple, marble, stain
- 5. anguished, jubilant, doleful, lugubrious

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

movement deaden the sound muddy indistinctly utter

muffler moving

mulish not clean; lack clarity; make unclear

mumble obstinate

Group 02

mundane (cause to) change munificent liberal in giving

murky low sound; grumble

murmur relating to world; commonplaces

mutate without light; not clear

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. His tone was generous, as if congratulating me for having the name I did.
- 2. Any such initiatives must be firmly grounded in more <u>ordinary</u> but ultimately fundamental efforts.
- 3. It certainly speaks way beyond the narrow political affiliations that <u>unclear</u> controversies like Solyndra.
- 4. In very rare instances, the virus in the vaccine can <u>change</u> into a form that can paralyze.
- 5. Robbins can seem <u>stubborn</u> and out of it, but then, as an impish grin takes over his face, he suddenly becomes inspired.

- 1. besmirched, dingy, immaculate, filthy
- 2. attenuate, amplify, dampen, stifle
- 3. pertinacious, perverse, pliant, refractory
- 4. carnal, ethereal, secular, worldly
- 5. caliginous, lucent, murky, stygian

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

mute indefinite number mutter lack of foresight myopic lowest point

myriad murmur complainingly

nadir refraining from speech; soften

Group 02

naive admiration of oneself
narcissism cause to loathe or disgust
nascent lacking worldly experience
natty recently come into existence

nauseate tidy, neat

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. There are glues inspired by gecko feet, robots designed to mimic bugs, and many other examples.
- 2. China's NIMBY movement has counted a string of successes for the country's <u>newly-started</u> environmental movement.
- 3. That was a bold move and the company invested millions to make it work, but it turned out to be a narrow-minded decision.
- 4. In Australia, even the most vocal nationalist is <u>silent</u> before the Ashes' apolitical, monocultural might.
- 5. McWade believes that Americans are more predisposed to <u>self-admiration</u> because of the inventive and explorative history of our country.

- 1. amplify, attenuate, soften, subdue
- 2. crow, grumble, moan, repine
- 3. myriad, numerous, scanty, untold
- 4. acme, meridian, nadir, zenith
- 5. incipient, moribund, nascent, inchaate

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

nautical deny

naysay impoverished nebulous indistinct, vague

needy on water nefarious wicked

Group 02

negation beginner negligent failing to care negotiate opposition

neophyte power of endurance; give courage nerve settle by mutual agreement; plan out

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Researchers created an attack that surreptitiously redirects a user to <u>wicked</u> sites once they have visited a booby-trapped webpage.
- 2. In the summer of 1972, Mr. Woodward, then a <u>beginner</u> newspaperman, knocked on Mr. Felt's door in pursuit of the story.
- 3. The process of designing cards even seems to have a clarifying effect on those with more unclear personas.
- 4. But it does not help when your shadow chancellor gives interviews which deny your views.
- 5. Dispensaries, meanwhile, will have to devote some revenue to providing marijuana to poor patients.

- 1. aeronautic, maritime, nautical, navigational
- 2. accede, concur, consent, naysay
- 3. destitute, indigent, opulent, penurious
- 4. atrocious, ethical, heinous, vicious
- 5. guts, pusillanimity, resolution, stamina

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

nettle arouse anger

neutralize careful attention to details; fine point nicety connection; greatest importance nexus make inoperative or ineffective

nibble small bites

Group 02

nil criticize

nip harmful, offensive

nitpick in the night nocturnal nothing

noisome small amount

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Critics and musicians still <u>excessively criticize</u> muddy textures in his symphonies and awkward solo writing in his concertos.
- 2. To be sure, there are degrees of social turmoil that even the most impressive promotions cannot <u>counterbalance</u>.
- 3. This isn't some <u>precision</u> of political philosophy but a serious weakness in its very foundations.
- 4. But prosecutors maintained she had been the international <u>connection</u> of the drug trafficking ring.
- 5. But danger and <u>harmful</u> corridors don't deter tourists bored with churches and monuments.

- 1. peeve, pique, placate, provoke
- 2. counteract, negate, nullify, vitalize
- 3. delicacy, nicety, fineness, veracity
- 4. avalanche, mite, ounce, snap
- 5. nexus, hub, nucleus, periphery

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

nomad indifferent

nominal little consequence; no objective reality

nonchalant no fixed residence

nondescript not distinctive or interesting nonentity unimportant; only in the name

Group 02

nonplus confuse, perplex

nonsense harmful; causing intense displeasure

notch new

novel no meaning

noxious obtain through effort; cut

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The newly built homes were ankle-deep in toxic filth at one point, a <u>harmful</u> air still makes breathing uncomfortable.
- 2. Ringo, sporting a huge grin, seemed utterly bemused and <u>indifferent</u> about it all.
- 3. Still it continued to <u>puzzle</u> me how so many people crowded to such shallow pop acts on the main stage when bands like Lamb were playing elsewhere.
- 4. There are hopes that the change of guard, however <u>insignificant</u>, could lead to some reforms.
- 5. Views of the Berlin skyline are impressive at this sparkling sky lounge atop a(n) ordinary 1950s office building.

- 1. nominal, material, paltry, trivial
- 2. beige, conspicuous, nonchalant, vanilla
- 3. nonplus, mortify, edify, faze
- 4. archaic, banal, hackneyed, unprecedented
- 5. baneful, detrimental, salubrious, wicked

List 17

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

nuance elbow; persuade nudge inconsequential

nugatory submissive

nurture subtle distinction

obedient supply with nourishment; provide understanding

Group 02

obdurate compulsory; dull oath formal promise

obeisance make confused or opaque obfuscate resistant; lack of sympathy obligatory respect or submission

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Val Kilmer is Robert Scott, a blindly <u>submissive</u> special-ops killer who is now forced to start thinking for himself.
- 2. Graduation requires mastering the <u>distinction</u> of some military terms necessary for future pilot training.
- 3. The best they can manage is to <u>confuse</u> and blur the facts.
- 4. The report probably explains why yields on risky junk bonds are so insignificant.
- 5. He has provided the North with unconditional aid, but the communist regime there has remained <u>stubborn</u>.

- 1. consequential, momentous, nugatory, unfrivolous
- 2. acquiescent, complying, pertinacious, relenting
- 3. becloud, blur, elucidate, muddy
- 4. discretionary, imperative, involuntary, peremptory
- 5. callous, charitable, indurate, unsparing

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

obliging inclined or twisted

oblique lacking awareness; not informed

obliterate remove

oblivious unruly; loud and insistent

obstreperous willing to do favors

Group 02

obscure abusively language obsequious fawning attentiveness obsess haunt, preoccupy

obstinate not clearly; not famous; indistinct obloquy not easily subdued; obdurate

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The <u>criticism</u> deepened in the ensuing days, during which it was reported that the cell phones of families of British soldiers killed in Iraq and Afghanistan may also have been hacked.
- 2. She hopelessly waited for 20 minutes in the cold wind when a(n) <u>kind-hearted</u> passerby helped her with her packages.
- 3. President Khatami himself reacted mildly, voicing regret coupled with only twisted criticism of the clerical court.
- 4. Those who <u>preoccupy</u> about emotionally fraught distractions instead are harming our fight against radical Islamists, not helping it.
- 5. That is an error rate of 0.1% which, theoretically, could <u>destroy</u> the entire diversity of the human race.

- 1. askew, cant, listing, level
- 2. expurgate, extirpate, imbed, obliterate
- 3. vigilant, oblivious, acquainted, conversant
- 4. adulation, billingsgate, fulmination, scurrility
- 5. blatant, squawking, tranquil, vociferous

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

obstruct impede; prevent passage

obtuse make unnecessary

obviate not absorbing ideas readily occult not easily apprehended

odium strong dislike

Group 02

offbeat aloof

offhand not usual or general officious out of accord with offish thrusting oneself

off-key without premeditation, informal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Members of Congress resent him for treating them in such an <u>unprepared</u> manner.
- 2. And some decent but <u>dull-minded</u> people see it as step toward a society they dread, even though it has long ago arrived. slow-minded
- 3. They did later return but showed a greater awareness of and <u>hate</u> to humans.
- 4. He has hope that improvements in helmet technology will solve much of the problem and avoid the need for sweeping rule changes.
- 5. Younger Chinese friends of mine regard the firewall as they would an interfering lifeguard at a swimming pool an occasional, largely irrelevant, intrusion.

- 1. abet, hinder, impede, stymie
- 2. oafish, obtuse, nimble, vacuous
- 3. avert, entail, obviate, preclude
- 4. occult, divulge, enshroud, shroud
- 5. hankering, infamy, obloguy, opprobrium

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

ominous complete knowledge

omniscient express opinions

onerous impenetrable by light; obscure

opaque of evil omen

opine requiring much effort

Group 02

opportune convenient

opprobrious creative; before all others in time oration determinate position; make familiar orient expressing reproach; infamous original speech of pompous manner

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He is increasingly <u>critical</u> of the very currency he is supposed to be defending.
- 2. The number, sophistication, and seriousness of cyber-attacks on enterprise customers are shocking and unpromising.
- 3. Disney's corporate strategy has been to re-release Walt's ideas and concepts at <u>appropriate</u> moments, but with what it describes as "21st Century relevance".
- 4. Anyhow, decades of government faith in <u>all-knowing</u> miracle workers has left Medicare in its present shambles.
- 5. The proposal has been changed, though some believe the requirements are still too burdensome.

- 1. baleful, sinister, minatory, auspicious
- 2. arcane, accessible, enigmatic, inscrutable
- 3. opportune, seasonable, untimely, well-timed
- 4. irreproachable, scurrilous, vitriolic, vituperative
- 5. banal, trite, original, hackneyed

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

orthodox established form

oscillate exclude

ossify opposed to change ostentatious pretentious display

ostracize vary, swing

Group 02

oust beginning outgoing extroverted

outlandish out of the ordinary, bizarre

outmaneuver overcome

outset remove; drive out

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They are nothing glam or <u>showy</u>, just modest operations that blend perfectly into the tropical surroundings.
- 2. But the nature of traditional applications makes research according to <u>traditional</u> scientific standards difficult.
- 3. Comments at today's protests in Greece swing between rage and despair.
- 4. Among the diabetes patients, 72 percent had moderately well controlled blood sugar levels at the beginning.
- 5. Others imply that IVF is a prideful attempt to beat nature, which may be true.

- 1. ceremonial, conventional, orthodox, routine
- 2. austere, flamboyant, ostentatious, splashy
- 3. banish, bounce, include, ostracize
- 4. bizarre, eccentric, non-exotic, peculiar
- 5. commencement, coda, genesis, inception

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

outwit arrogant

overbearing introduction, prelude

overlap open

overt overwhelming in power, predominant

overture surpass in wisdom

Group 02

oxymoron combination of contradictory words

pacify ease the anger

padding go beyond the facts paean requiring diligent care

painstaking song of praise

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Ordinarily, the U.S. legal system is known for resolving such mysteries with diligent care.
- 2. Mrs. Clinton's expression of concern has done little to <u>calm</u> many Indians who perceive the incident to be an insult.
- 3. Bringing in the group helps get the meeting back on track without making the leader seem bossy.
- 4. As a third-generation Mexican-American growing up in Los Angeles, I had never encountered such <u>open</u> racism.
- 5. After he managed to <u>beat</u> the media and keep his wedding secret, he faced reporters who were hungry for details.

- 1. despotic, imperious, peremptory, unassuming
- 2. coda, preamble, overture, prologue
- 3. assuage, rankle, tantrum, vex
- 4. caricature, meiosis, embroidery, hyperbole
- 5. conscientious, meticulous, slipshod, scrupulous

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

palatable giving pleasure

palatial lacking in vitality; pale

pall like a palace palliate lose interest

pallid make less severe or intense

Group 02

palmy act deceitfully palpable harsh criticism palter not important

paltry obvious; capable of being touched

pan prosperous

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In fact, motion pictures and television networks employ a <u>small</u> five percent of the local workforce.
- 2. That would give the military full authority, a decision hardly <u>agreeable</u> to this government.
- 3. No matter what path women choose, there will always be people there to criticize her.
- 4. It begins with a magnificent re-creation of the 2004 tsunami—a mighty wave that entirely overwhelms the rather <u>pale</u> movie that follows.
- 5. Residents of the neighborhood who voiced their objections to the <u>luxurious</u> home were pleased with the latest development.

- 1. deluxe, lavish, spartan, sumptuous
- 2. blanched, pallid, rubicund, wan
- 3. depressed, prosperous, thriving, lush
- 4. candor, chaffer, haggle, palter
- 5. censure, pan, rave, reprehend

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

panache eulogistic writing

pandemic flamboyance, display; elegance

pandemonium pattern, model panegyric uproar, noise paradigm widespread

Group 02

parable complete view

panoramic example

paradise place of perfection and happiness seemingly opposed to common sense

paragon story intended to teach

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. That is the essential mystery, the essential intrigue, the essential <u>contradiction</u> of being human.
- 2. Above all, Bullard hopes to have created a <u>model</u> that other hospitals will mimic.
- 3. Although Harrelson exudes an appealing cheekiness, he lacks the depth or flamboyance to make us feel anything.
- 4. Phill Wilson has devoted his life to stopping the AIDS <u>widespread</u> in the black community.
- 5. On the third day, U.S. military personnel arrived to establish order amid the mess.

- 1. humility, diffidence, panache, modesty
- 2. bluster, pandemonium, serenity, turmoil
- 3. anathema, accolade, commendation, eulogium
- 4. archetype, anomaly, epitome, paragon
- 5. dichotomy, incongruity, paradox, uniformity

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

paramount dry

paranoid express in different words paraphrase extreme and irrational distrust

parch interruption

parenthesis of chief importance

Group 02

pariah being equal

parity despised or rejected person parody imitate in order to ridicule paroxysm imitate without understanding

parrot outburst, disturbance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He advised clients to expect the Australian dollar to fall to <u>equality</u> with the U.S. dollar.
- 2. Another crucial lesson China has learned is that political stability is of <u>vital</u> importance.
- 3. Even before his trial and before he went to prison, he'd become a(n) outsider.
- 4. The 1, 500-page manifesto provides insight into the psychology and planning of the distrustful, self-aggrandizing Breivik.
- 5. After a(n) outburst of angry revenge on collaborators, they craved a carnival.

- 1. ancillary, preeminent, paramount, supreme
- 2. paranoid, distrustful, credulous, suspicious
- 3. discontinuity, interim, parenthesis, resumption
- 4. desiccate, scorch, sear, steep
- 5. coin, duplicate, echo, parrot

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

parry biased parsimonious evade

partial follower, supporter

particularize give details

partisan stingy

Group 02

pastiche dividing

partition imitate with satirical intent; hodgepodge

patent markedly abnormal

pathological readily visible

patina superficial covering

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. That may sound like a(n) <u>obvious</u> step, but for this geriatric organization it is a revelation.
- 2. Salma Hayek is not much of an actress, but she encases Martha in <u>extreme</u> rage.
- 3. So a tall, handsome dandy, a social lion and a most remarkable architect probably unique in his time as a master of imitation.
- 4. In lowa, redistricting was done through a process that aimed to eliminate biased gerrymandering.
- 5. After the death of her husband, Dalal is left at the mercy of her <u>miserly</u> and ruthless brother.

- 1. elude, embrace, finesse, shirk
- 2. dissolute, mingy, penurious, stinting
- 3. abbreviate, abridge, condense, particularize
- 4. equitable, evenhanded, partisan, impartial
- 5. blatant, conspicuous, concealed, manifest

List 18

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

patrician dearth

patriot having a potbelly

patronize high birth paucity love country

paunchy provide aid; treat haughtily

Group 02

peck considerable amount; eat in small bites

pedagogue determine in advance pedant give formal instruction

predestine traveling on foot; lack of interest pedestrian undue attention to formal rules

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In interviews with current and former officials, there were repeated complaints about the lack of reliable information.
- 2. I've worked with too many of these guys—once you cry, they <u>support</u> and euphemize, hoping you'll read between the lines.
- 3. As a first step, he hopes to sell his patented engine design for more unimaginative applications.
- 4. Many of us tuned out before the surreal drama came to its <u>predetermined</u> end.
- 5. The quiet neighborhood in east Singapore has a(n) <u>abundance</u> of excellent restaurants serving authentic local cuisine.

- 1. aristocrat, noble, patrician, plebeian
- 2. apostate, patriot, recreant, turncoat
- 3. baffle, endorse, foil, sabotage
- 4. corpulent, paunchy, potbellied, slender
- 5. gripping, jejune, pedestrian, stale

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

peep brief look; slight sound

peer clear

peeve disparaging, belittling

pejorative disturb

pellucid equal person; look curiously

Group 02

pen confinement; close

penalty punishment penchant quiet thinking

penitent regretful

pensive strong inclination

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But it was also just good journalism to discontinue the use of a needless disapproving term.
- 2. Hearing the recording played in court, Brown's friends were amazed by how strong and <u>clear</u> she sounded.
- 3. He looked at her with the unsure smile of a high school junior bracing himself to ask a girl one social notch above him to dance at the prom, his hands behind his back like a regretful child.
- 4. The only thing that <u>annoyed</u> me here was that they never sent me a copy, and never put their translation on the Web.
- 5. While Gabor insists she always took a balanced approach, some see a <u>desire</u> for high-profile events.

- 1. compeer, counterpart, fellow, inferior
- 2. compose, lull, peeve, soothe
- 3. contemptuous, commendatory, pejorative, scornful
- 4. cryptic, manifest, palpable, perspicuous
- 5. compunctious, impenitent, repentant, rueful

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

penury being perceived perambulate dearth; frugality

perceptible exaggerated emotion

peremptory not allowing contradiction; feeling superior

perfervid travel over

Group 02

perfidy disloyalty

perforate make a hole through

perfunctory outer limit

perimeter regular publication; at regular intervals

periodical superficial; lacking in interest

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Yet, despite his decades in Washington, Biden has never become a symbol of liberal disloyalty for the right.
- 2. My potential employer asked me a few more <u>careless</u> questions and then saw me to the door.
- 3. Barwale's own father passed away a few years after the boy was born, leaving his mother and three elder brothers in poverty.
- 4. In most of the world the climate changes to date are barely <u>noticeable</u> or hard to pin on warming.
- 5. China's American embrace is most <u>crazy</u> at the cathedral to Yankee culture, the cinema.

- 1. destitution, impecuniosity, indigence, opulence
- 2. elective, imperative, incumbent, peremptory
- 3. ardent, fervid, impassioned, impassive
- 4. backstabbing, infidelity, staunchness, treachery
- 5. periodic, intermittent, incessant, recurrent

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

peripatetic boundary or periphery; supplementary

peripheral cease to exist perish cease to exist

permanent from place to place

permeable penetrated

Group 02

pernicious cause suffering

peroration concluding part; formal discourse

perpetual continuing forever persecute injurious, destructive

persevere persist

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The opposition accuses Morales of using the judiciary to torture adversaries.
- 2. The central and <u>outer</u> nervous systems consist of billions of nerve cells called neurons.
- 3. The nation's first Chief Justice stated that there is no crime more extensively harmful to Society.
- 4. Police then establish a <u>lasting</u> base in the favela with officers trained in community policing.
- 5. Tens of thousands of Muslims <u>die</u> daily worldwide not thousands, but millions of Muslims are killed.

- 1. ambulant, nomadic, peregrine, sedentary
- 2. circumferential, interior, marginal, peripheral
- 3. ephemeral, evanescent, perpetual, transitory
- 4. impervious, penetrable, permeable, porous
- 5. persevere, renounce, succumb, surrender

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

persiflage attractive

persistence good-natured teasing

personable have a relation perspicacious lasting existence

pertain penetrating mental discernment

Group 02

perspicuity clearness and lucidity pertinacious examine with great care

pertinent relevant perturb sticking to

peruse trouble the mind

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The government had argued national security concerns gave them the discretion to decide what documents were relevant for judicial review.
- 2. And doing all of that took time and patience, and most of all, it took determination.
- 3. Users can also <u>read</u> more than 150 supplementary texts, ranging from reference works to contemporary reviews of Darwin's books, obituaries and recollections.
- 4. There are many tools you can use, but the best way is to be authentic and attractive.
- 5. Crews of <u>insightful</u> humans are becoming adept at spotting the "unexpected" inside the labs, and outside as well.

- 1. endurance, perseverance, subsistence, surcease
- 2. charismatic, comely, grotesque, personable
- 3. astute, oblivious, perspicacious, savvy
- 4. intransigent, mulish, obdurate, pliable
- 5. glimpse, peruse, scan, skim

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

pervade be present throughout

pessimistic make stiff or rigid petition make a request petrify of small importance

petty take the gloomiest possible view

Group 02

phenomenal calm, sluggish temperament philanthropic concern for the welfare of others

philistine guided by materialism phlegmatic out of the ordinary piddling trifling or trivial

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Her career achievements have gone hand in hand with a <u>charitable</u> focus on education.
- 2. Your objections were therefore pretty <u>unimportant</u>, pointless and, quite frankly, ridiculous and I politely said so.
- 3. That is the linking identity at the other end of all the hyphens that <u>spread</u> throughout our modern political culture.
- 4. Dimitri was <u>indifferent</u> about a poor refereeing decision in the build-up to Stade Français' first try.
- 5. For better or worse, Republicans don't seem as <u>shocked</u> by the government shutdown option as they did a month ago.

- 1. bearish, despairing, downbeat, sanguine
- 2. enervate, lobotomize, ossify, vivify
- 3. momentous, paltry, peanut, trifling
- 4. altruistic, eleemosynary, misanthropic, humanitarian
- 5. demonstrative, impassioned, phlegmatic, vehement

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

piebald color

pigment different colors; different sorts

pilfer public contempt

pillar steal support

Group 02

pilot extremely precise; identify with precision

pine highest point

pinnacle pungent in taste; provocative

pinpoint tentative model; lead

piquant yearn; lose vigor

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It maintained a library of more than 4500 malicious programs that could <u>steal</u> data from hijacked PCs.
- 2. He said the sovereign signature is a <u>support</u> of financial stability in the euro zone.
- 3. Using steel framing and high-speed elevators, they created their <u>summit</u> achievement: the modern skyscraper.
- 4. For this offense he was fined, placed in a <u>humiliation</u> and jailed for several months.
- 5. Toms has discovered what religious movements have known for centuries: people desire to do meaningful work.

- 1. eclectic, homogeneous, magpie, promiscuous
- 2. abase, carol, pillory, ridicule
- 3. abhor, detest, loathe, pine
- 4. culmination, meridian, nadir, zenith
- 5. coarse, hairline, pinpoint, rigorous

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

pique arouse anger; excite

pirate brief

pithy small portion

pitiless without actual right, robber at sea

pittance without pity

Group 02

placate easily modified; not natural

placebo lessen the anger plagiarize loud sound; plaintive

plangent steal ideas

plastic used to appease or reassure

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In a couple of short, <u>brief</u> paragraphs, emphasize your key skills and examples of accomplishments.
- 2. It is adding 1300 new products every week which should help <u>stimulate</u> customer interest.
- 3. By today's standards, the players of this era received what seems like a <u>small</u> amount for their efforts.
- 4. Tweets, status updates, blog posts, and websites are all <u>modifiable</u> within moments after they are posted.
- 5. His move, announced Thursday, is seen by some observers as an effort to appearse anti-government sentiment.

- 1. exasperate, gratify, pique, rile
- 2. circuitous, pithy, rambling, verbose
- 3. conciliate, gall, mollify, propitiate
- 4. blaring, clamorous, muffled, resonant
- 5. ductile, malleable, rigid, resilient

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

plateau banal statement; not original

platitude fold

plausible stable level or period superficially reasonable pliable supple; easily influenced

Group 02

plethora ample amount plentitude easily bent; yielding

pliant excess

plight unfortunate situation

plod walk heavily

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Government interjects itself into a(n) <u>excess</u> of industries in cancerous cronyism metastasizing throughout Washington.
- 2. This seems to be a <u>cliché</u>, but in underwater archaeological work this principle needs careful consideration.
- 3. Herbert's worries are more immediate than whether the president or any other politician understands his difficulty.
- 4. Less skeptic researchers in the field say these serendipitous findings sound reasonable, and intriguing for further study.
- 5. Congress, which has a veto over Mr. Uribe's economic agenda, will be a more flexible partner.

- 1. discrepancy, equilibrium, plateau, stasis
- 2. bromide, homily, novelty, platitude
- 3. corrugate, flatten, furrow, ruffle
- 4. cornucopia, feast, inundation, paucity
- 5. bliss, predicament, plight, quandary

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

pluck break up into opposing groups

plumb courage

plummet decline suddenly

plump measure the depth; examine closely

polarize well-rounded; give full support

Group 02

plunge argument; controversial

polemic descend suddenly

polished high degree of refinement

politic self-important; excessively ornate

pompous shrewd, suitable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Any presidential message is quickly surrounded by <u>controversial</u> instant commentary that diminishes the power of what he says.
- 2. Whenever a political figure wants to rally the troops, he will seek to <u>divide</u> and energize his followers.
- 3. The stock price has continued to <u>drop</u> by about 25 percent since the beginning of 2011.
- 4. But it's also possible that the stubborn <u>bravery</u> that built California is being rediscovered, and in unlikely places.
- 5. Einstein's claim encouraged other researchers to <u>explore</u> the secrets of the atom, eventually opening the way for nuclear power and atomic weapons.

- 1. cowardice, grit, guts, pluck
- 2. delve, skim, plumb, probe
- 3. plunge, plummet, soar, tumble
- 4. bifurcate, coalesce, diverge, polarize
- 5. gauche, genteel, rustic, philistine

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

ponderable assume or affirm ponderous considerable

pontificate of great weight; unpleasantly dull

pore read or study attentively

posit speak pompously

Group 02

portentous admitting the passage poseur affected or insincere porous pretended attitude

postulate sign of evil; eliciting amazement starting point; assume as true

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The study authors <u>suggests</u> that these factors result in less biodiversity in the organisms found inside the gut of European children.
- 2. Bluray disk producers face <u>considerable</u> competition and have ample reason to keep prices low.
- 3. The Europeans have adopted the most aggressive <u>attitude</u> by calling for a 15% reduction by 2010.
- 4. Throughout the trial, John Dowd seemed like a great aging elephant, slow and weighty but still capable of inflicting damage.
- 5. The brevity of the ride suits the need for a stretch of witty or <u>exciting</u> dialogue, for stolen kisses and furtive arguments.

- 1. cumbersome, gossamer, hefty, onerous
- 2. deliberate, perpend, riffle, ruminate
- 3. minatory, ominous, propitious, sinister
- 4. belie, disprove, falsify, postulate
- 5. grandstand, masquerade, pose, spontaneity

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

potable beverage; suitable for drinking

potentate make more active potentiate powerful person professional person show displeasure

Group 02

prairie earlier occurrence; prior prate lacking stability; uncertain

preach sermon precarious talk idly

precedent treeless grassland

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. One nurse <u>specialist</u>, for instance, was responsible for trying to get every smoker to quit.
- 2. Then someone asks Stiffelio what he intends to talk about in his next service.
- 3. Being the professional he is, Murray does as many stunts as he can, leaving the stunt man to frown in the corner.
- 4. Judge Silberman and concurring Judge Harry Edwards concede that such powers are without <u>previous example</u>.
- 5. By early 1975, the situation in South Vietnam was <u>uncertain</u>, as enemy troops moved ever closer.

- 1. autocrat, monarch, potentate, sovereign
- 2. attenuate, dwindle, moderate, stir
- 3. grump, grin, mope, sulk
- 4. delicate, precarious, stable, touchy
- 5. antecedent, ensuing, preceding, prior

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

precipice carelessly speedy

precipitate deposit; disorderly speed

precipitation exclude; make impossible in advance

precursor preceding person

preclude steep place

Group 02

precipitous disposition in favor predecessor paramount, important

predilection previously occupied a position preeminent seize before others; replace preempt steep; carelessly speedy

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. For Onkyo, a name that translates roughly to 'sound harmony' in Japanese, sound quality is outstanding.
- 2. Moreover, they are disproportionately likely to come from the sort of chaotic backgrounds that generally <u>prevent</u> political engagement.
- 3. President Clinton vetoed it, which along with Mr. Gingrich's refusal to compromise helped speed up the government shutdown.
- 4. Agricultural is at the heart of the multilateral trading system, being a <u>pioneer</u> of development.
- 5. But he also has a <u>tendency</u> for making clumsy statements he endorses capital punishment for the corrupt, for example.

- 1. cursory, deliberate, headlong, precipitous
- 2. arduous, level, precipitate, steep
- 3. avert, enclose, forestall, obviate
- 4. harbinger, herald, outrider, sequela
- 5. disposition, nausea, penchant, propensity

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

preen consider beforehand

preface dress; take pride; smooth feathers pregnant full of meaning; containing offspring

premeditate preliminary statement sign or warning; predict

Group 02

preponderant contrary to common sense

prepossessing extreme concern preposterous favorably impressive

preoccupation foreknowledge

prescience superior importance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In his Iraq speech, the President mentioned that the economic recovery is a central concern.
- 2. The Chicken Dance begins: men dressed in colorful feathers, bent forward with elbows pulled back, shuffle and <u>dress</u> in imitation of the mating dance of the prairie chicken, to the obvious delight of the crowd.
- 3. The filmmaker clearly stands on the side of artistic aspiration, of hope in the face of ridiculous odds.
- 4. This was to <u>signal</u> a dominant theme that was to emerge in the next two years in the Western media.
- 5. On the far side of the room was a much younger man, not a(n) <u>attractive</u> type, more like a bespectacled bullfrog.

- 1. efface, gloat, plume, preen
- 2. exordium, epilogue, overture, prelude
- 3. momentous, inane, pregnant, revelatory
- 4. disregard, omit, overlook, premeditate
- 5. asinine, commonsensical, lunatic, preposterous

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

prescription overstepping due bounds; feeling superior

preservative pretending to deceive prestige protect against decay

presumption respect pretense rule

Group 02

preternatural commonly accepted

prevail evade the truth
prevalent greater in strength
prevaricate happening first
primordial surpassing usual

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Sometimes she sent me over to check up on him under the <u>deception</u> of bringing him medicine.
- 2. Based on past experience, this <u>regulation</u> is unlikely to make much of a difference.
- 3. Asteroids contain <u>ancient</u> material left over from the formation of the Solar System billions of years ago.
- 4. The bloodshed at the Oct. 9 Christian protest was a heavy blow to the military's <u>reputation</u>.
- 5. Extreme poverty today continues to be <u>dominant</u> in the industrial Midwest, including Detroit, Grand Rapids, Mich.

- 1. courteous, decorous, presumptuous, urbane
- 2. aberrant, phenomenal, prosaic, unearthly
- 3. conquer, prevail, reign, yield
- 4. assumption, hauteur, subservience, superiority
- 5. descendent, primal, primeval, primordial

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

primp carefully adorn

principal free from dirt or decay

pristine lack

privation of highest importance probe penetrating investigation

Group 02

probity get possession proclivity inclination procrastinate lazily put off procure moral standards

prod persuade

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Situated in Western Wyoming, the Bridger-Teton National forest comprises 3.4 million acres of untouched mountain wilderness.
- 2. This House should scrutinize bills in reasonable time and not delay or filibuster.
- 3. The theory is that honesty canteens will teach young Indonesians habits of <u>correctness</u> that will discourage them from sliding into corrupt practices later in life
- 4. Pan-Arabism's appeal faded well before the death of its <u>major</u> champion, Gamal Abdel Nasser.
- 5. Congressional leaders had urged Traficant to resign before his ethics investigation reached this stage.

- 1. cardinal, paramount, principal, subordinate
- 2. contaminated, besmirched, immaculate, squalid
- 3. deprivation, scarcity, privation, repletion
- 4. integrity, rectitude, probity, unscrupulousness
- 5. aptitude, aversion, penchant, proclivity

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

prodigal advanced competence prodigious great in size; enormous

profane offer

proffer spendthrift; spends freely proficient treat with abuse; bad use

Group 02

profligate abstruse

profundity abundance; wastefulness

profusion grow rapidly

prohibitive tending to restrain

proliferate wasteful; below the normal moral standard

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But like most politicians--like most people--the President is much less <u>skillful</u> with the categorical lie.
- 2. The map was dense with gubernatorial significance and opportunities for Spitzer to demonstrate a(n) <u>extraordinary</u> grasp of policy detail.
- 3. Eight years have passed since Fellowship's last release, and during that time, Brian Blade has been more prodigious than wasteful.
- 4. Steve Jobs retaliated with a <u>disrespectful</u> manifesto during a 2010 conversation with his chosen biographer.
- 5. Taking advantage of this <u>abundance</u> of highly skilled players on low salaries in Ligue 1, Newcastle has assembled its own French Foreign Legion.

- 1. frugal, parsimonious, squandering, thrifty
- 2. colossal, elephantine, infinitesimal, prodigious
- 3. pervert, profane, prostitute, venerate
- 4. frugal, parsimonious, provident, spendthrift
- 5. balloon, contract, escalate, mushroom

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

prolix find errors and mark corrections

prologue lengthen prolong make known proofread preface

promulgate speak at excessive length

Group 02

propagate appease propensity foretelling

prophetic happy outcome

propitiate inclination

propitious increase; spread out

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The writer-director Nancy Meyers appears eager to <u>calm</u> what she takes to be the national habit of youth worship.
- 2. It surveyed 2, 010 adults in the US, adjusting for demographic factors and <u>inclination</u> to be online.
- 3. John McElroy, the <u>wordy</u> host of the Autoline Detroit TV and radio shows, is optimistic about the auto industry.
- 4. He recalled that the treatment his father received helped <u>extend</u> his battle with brain cancer.
- 5. There are new ways of shooting video it is trying to <u>publicize</u>, to put more on the Web.

- 1. diffuse, garrulous, rambling, succinct
- 2. exordium, epilogue, preamble, proem
- 3. abbreviate, abridge, protract, truncate
- 4. eradicate, multiply, propagate, reproduce
- 5. auspicious, pessimistic, propitious, upbeat

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

proponent doing, enactment

propriety forbid

prosaic normal course of events proscribe suitable; socially accepted

prosecution supporter

Group 02

proselytize change religious faith

prospect discovery; looking forward to prosperous diverse, various; versatile

prostrate lying flat

protean vigorous growth and well-being

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Without proper regulation, the <u>outlook</u> of money laundering and illicit transfers is not insubstantial.
- 2. These places sounded altogether more exotic than the <u>ordinary</u> localities to which Junior was accustomed.
- 3. Many Jewish scholars interpret the relevant Torah passage to also <u>forbid</u> human blood.
- 4. Their parents complain, as parents always do, that kids today have lost a sense of selflessness and <u>politeness</u>.
- 5. The many primary documents translated into English from throughout the Arabic-speaking world demonstrate its diverse sources.

- 1. adversary, apostle, expounder, espouser
- 2. decorum, propriety, indecency, etiquette
- 3. exceptional, preternatural, prosaic, ingenious
- 4. enjoin, interdict, proscribe, sanction
- 5. debilitated, erect, languid, sapped

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

protocol correct conduct

protract divine

protrude frugal, economical; awareness for the future

providential lengthen, prolong provident project, bulge

Group 02

protuberant conditional provincial incite to anger

provisional limited in perspective

provisory temporary provoke thrusting out

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Gordon Campbell, the Liberal premier who introduced the tax, won a <u>local</u> election the next year.
- 2. Parties bring co-workers' personal feelings and friendships to the fore, turning conventions upside down.
- 3. Funding for councils will be announced in the <u>temporary</u> local government settlement on 18 October.
- 4. The idea of <u>destined</u> abundance was extremely important to the defense of the market order.
- 5. They managed a 10% down payment on a condo after borrowing from their mandatory wise fund and raiding their savings.

- 1. bulge, concave, poke, project
- 2. sparing, provident, profligate, scrimping
- 3. providential, mishap, fluky, fortuitous
- 4. ecumenical, catholic, cosmopolitan, provincial
- 5. interim, provisionary, evanescent, permanent

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

prowess person concerned with morality

prowl improve shape prude inquire closely prune search of prey superior courage

Group 02

prudish become contracted

prudent fictitious name

pseudonym prudery

psychology subtle tactical action to influence others

pucker wise

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Most incubators I know about are on the <u>search</u> for entrepreneurial talent and good ideas.
- 2. When it comes to personal morality, Australia has moved away from the <u>narrow-minded</u> censoriousness that was such a strong feature of national life until the early 1970s, and perhaps beyond.
- 3. Ms. Merkel is counting on Germany's green-energy <u>courage</u> to secure its future as an export powerhouse.
- 4. With <u>wise</u> policies, financial restructuring and an injection of liquidity, growth can be rekindled.
- 5. Heather Graham (not the actress) has written vampire novels under both her name and her pen name, Shannon Drake.

- 1. gallantry, guts, intrepidity, poltroonery
- 2. bluenose, immoralist, prude, puritan
- 3. intrude, obtrude, snoop, snub
- 4. imprudent, judicious, politic, tactical
- 5. cowardice, cravenness, dastardliness, prowess

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

puckish beauty

puerile bring to complete end

puissance immature

pulchritude mischievous, impish, childish

pulverize power

Group 02

pun attentive to minute details

punctilious cause hurt feelings

pundit humorous use of a word

pungent of inferior size

puny person giving authoritative opinions

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Maybe Rolfe and Troob's supposed innocence shouldn't come as a surprise given the <u>childish</u>, frat boy tenor of their tome.
- 2. For Rooney, it all came down to the writing, the words: simple, succinct, sometimes sharp, sometimes funny.
- 3. Apart from the lack of <u>beauty</u> on display, Komsomolskaya Pravda was aghast at the poor photographs used.
- 4. The effective <u>power</u> in nearly all countries has remained quite stable for many years at around 6-8 %.
- 5. He is a quiet man, courteous and exact on form and protocol.

- 1. grave, prankish, sober, staid
- 2. fledged, ripe, puerile, sagacious
- 3. impotence, potency, strength, sinew
- 4. pulchritude, ugliness, homeliness, hideousness
- 5. remiss, slipshod, unceremonious, punctilious

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

purity timid supply purloin steal

purvey place for socializing; adjoining region

pusillanimous morally pure

Group 02

quack drink heartily quaff fear, cower

quail perplexity or doubt

qualify pretender

quandary reduce; make competent

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. When Chuck Leavell was 30 years old, he found himself in the midst of a career-related confusion.
- 2. Such stunts might lead readers to conclude that Ferriss is something of a <u>fraud</u>, but he is careful to issue disclaimers.
- 3. But you can take comfort in the knowledge that the creeps looking to <u>steal</u> your personal data are way more at risk than you.
- 4. After seeing Japan appear weak and <u>fearful</u> during the affair, he concluded that a flawed history-education system had failed to produce bold, self-confident leaders.
- 5. Obama is a pragmatist and a politician, less concerned about ideological cleanliness than about political outcomes.

- 1. purlieus, vicinage, vicinity, vista
- 2. craven, doughty, poltroon, recreant
- 3. charlatan, earnest, hoaxer, phony
- 4. blench, cringe, swagger, wince
- 5. unreserved, absolute, categorical, qualified

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

quarantine complaining

quarry speak in quivering voice

quash put a stop to quaver object of pursuit

querulous isolate from communication

Group 02

quench suppress; pacify

quell criticize, cavil; minor objection

quibble guided by ideals rather than by reality

quiescent put out; put a complete end to

quixotic quiet, inactive

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The eclectic programming is part social experiment, part conceptual art installation and part unrealistic entertainment.
- 2. Then 'boss' Giggs would be looking to Arsenal's Aaron Ramsey to help <u>satisfy</u> the thirst for international success.
- 3. Felson, however, says the new findings aren't sufficient to <u>stop</u> the concerns raised by previous studies.
- 4. Pakistan said it could not accept the animals because it lacked adequate <u>isolation</u> and medical facilities.
- 5. Even if price inflation stays relatively <u>inactive</u>, wage inflation is back, meaning unit labor costs will go up and profit margins will narrow.

- 1. foment, quash, subdue, suppress
- 2. dumb, hush, instigate, mute
- 3. crabby, grouchy, grumpy, stoic
- 4. inert, lethargic, sluggish, tumultuous
- 5. pragmatic, quixotic, utopian, visionary

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

quota commonplace

quotidian disorganized crowd of people

rabble fanatical

rabid proportional part racy vigorous, lively

Group 02

raffish discarded or useless

raffle revile or scold

rage threadbare clothes; not smooth

ragged violent anger rail vulgar, crude

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This election will boil down to a <u>huge anger</u> that cannot be estimated about the economy.
- 2. Hedgerow, thick and briary, caught his shirt twice and made it <u>untidy</u> round the elbow.
- 3. The ensuing five months of torment before the world ends could distract from commonplace economic and environmental concerns.
- 4. She was trying ever so hard to be risqué, making contrived <u>energetic</u> remarks at every opportunity.
- 5. Those factors, in turn, spur the <u>enthusiastic</u> media attention that's being given to digital security.

- 1. quotidian, routine, striking, ubiquitous
- 2. delirious, detached, ferocious, rabid
- 3. brisk, frisky, languorous, racy
- 4. crass, polished, raffish, vulgar
- 5. kempt, raggedy, ragtag, shabby

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rakish ill will

ramble lowered moral character

rambunctious move aimlessly; talk without topic

ramshackle noisy

rancor ready to collapse

Group 02

random angry scolding rankle cause anger

rant friendly relationship

rapacious huge appetite; covetous

rapport lacking pattern

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But the successes and growth were marred by internal <u>hatred</u> and executive turnover.
- 2. The most effective way to inspect them is through <u>unplanned</u> roadside checks.
- 3. Africa's most greedy modern leader had failed to pay his soldiers and there had been a spasm of rioting and looting.
- 4. Rabbits seem to flourish in mature adult homes, Saul said, because they prefer quiet, bookish pursuits to <u>noisy</u> play in rowdy homes.
- 5. Convenience stores were running out of bottled water and building owners began erecting shaking barricades made from sandbags and tarps.

- 1. debauched, libertine, righteous, reprobate
- 2. boisterous, clamorous, rowdy, serene
- 3. ramshackle, rickety, sturdy, tottering
- 4. animosity, grudge, rapport, jaundice
- 5. arbitrary, haphazard, methodical, slapdash

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rapprochement cordial relations

rapscallion evil

rapt lack caution rash make rare

rarefy pleasurable emotion; deeply absorbed

Group 02

raspy allotted available amount ratify give official acceptance ratiocination harsh; easily irritated

ration logical; based on sound reasoning

rational thought processes

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But I see a healthy trend: new corporate governance with emphasis on sensible financial management.
- 2. Feinstein's comments are significant because she is known as a moderate, not given to <u>hasty</u> statements.
- 3. Many, including Indian politicians of all stripes, struggle to imagine any pleasant relationship with their old enemy.
- 4. Haas is irresistibly sly and <u>obsessed</u> as an adolescent whose lustful curiosity turns to love.
- 5. So under the union's Constitution, the executive board made the final decision to approve the pact.

- 1. amity, enmity, communion, rapport
- 2. cavalier, fiend, rascal, savage
- 3. crestfallen, doleful, melancholy, rapt
- 4. attenuate, condense, dilute, rarefy
- 5. formalize, sanction, sanction, veto

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rave behave in response ravel destroy completely

ravish exaggerated display of affection; talk in delirium

raze overcome with emotion

react separate; clarify by separating; confuse

Group 02

reactionary criticize

ream opposition to progress

reap receive reassure reject

rebuff restore to confidence

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They said the visits were meant to <u>comfort</u> the minority Sikh community after the recent killings.
- 2. The locale is an ideal listening post for someone whose expertise is <u>clarify</u> the mystery of international terror.
- 3. And that was due entirely to oppression and exploitation by foreign imperialism and domestic conservative governments.
- 4. The building was shrouded in black as Deutsche Bank and its insurers fought over whether to <u>destroy</u> it or clean it.
- 5. That way Yahoo itself, and not an outsider, would <u>gain</u> the value of its Asian investments.

- 1. drool, effuse, pan, rhapsodize
- 2. extricate, knit, unbraid, ravel
- 3. brassbound, hidebound, progressive, reactionary
- 4. console, solace, soothe, torment
- 5. acquiesce, repudiate, snub, spurn

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

recalcitrant not producing characteristic effects; reserved

recant resistant, defiant

recessive return to criminal habits recidivate withdraw or repudiate recluse withdrawal from society

Group 02

reckless careless

reciprocate difficult to comprehend

recoil move forward and backward; return

reconcile restore harmony

recondite shrink back

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. On the rare occasion when they disagree about something, she will be the one urging him to be more outraged or disobedient.
- 2. The boom had been built on sand: housing speculation, overvalued stocks, hasty deregulation, and irresponsible deficits.
- 3. At the weekend, National Transitional Council chairman Abdul Jalil tried to restore harmony between the growing differences.
- 4. After four days of an appeals trial for apostasy, Nadarkhani refused to <u>deny</u> his beliefs.
- 5. Coster-Mullen spent the next ten years of his life mastering a body of complex technical data.

- 1. balky, contumacious, docile, rebellious
- 2. abjure, adhere, forswear, renege
- 3. extroverted, immodest, gregarious, recessive
- 4. owe, recompense, requite, retaliate
- 5. cloistered, gregarious, hermetic, secluded

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

reconnoiter gather or summon again

reconstitute lying down

reconvene make a preliminary inspection

rectitude moral integrity

recumbent restore

Group 02

recuperate being twirled around

redolent exceeding what is necessary

redoubtable fragrant

redundant recover health

reel worthy of respect; arousing fear

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In cities like Coventry, workers are being made <u>excessive</u> by the closure of traditional manufacturing industries.
- 2. Al-Qaeda leaders still at large are working to <u>rebuild</u> the organization and resume its terrorist operations.
- 3. But such impertinences make an artist whom many have deemed <u>awesome</u>, if a bit boring, excitingly new and strange.
- 4. It knows he has received a treatment and that he has the best conditions to recover.
- 5. Obsessive, dramatic, and emotional, he has an unwavering belief in his own uprightness.

- 1. annihilate, demolish, pulverize, reconstitute
- 2. integrity, probity, scrupulousness, wickedness
- 3. convalesce, deteriorate, recuperate, rehabilitate
- 4. ambrosial, fragrant, rancid, savory
- 5. distinguished, luminous, mediocre, prestigious

List 21

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

referee from impurities; improve or perfect

refine make manifest; think seriously

reflect resisting control

refractory resolve a dispute; give an opinion

refulgent shining radiantly

Group 02

refute bring back to life

regenerate declare not to be true; prove wrong

regimen go back; become worse

regress lawful control

rehabilitate restore to healthy condition

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Or if we have an error in our model, we fix the model and restart the tests.
- 2. Unfortunately, the world always proves to be more complex and <u>stubborn</u> than the theories of even the best economists.
- 3. After so many years Castelli remained socially active, shining with verve.
- 4. Surfers are lending their support to a Cornish charity that helps <u>recover</u> traumatized and injured servicemen.
- 5. His presence at the helm provides some assurance that economic policy will not <u>backslide</u>, but no guarantee of progress.

- 1. adjudicate, arbitrate, consult, referee
- 2. adulterate, contaminate, garble, refine
- 3. manifest, obscure, occlude, veil
- 4. intractable, obstreperous, obedient, refractory
- 5. incandescent, lackluster, luminous, radiant

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rehearsal feel joy

reign keep within boundaries rein practicing in preparation

reiterate right to command; be predominant

rejoice state again

Group 02

relapse beliefs release fall back

relentless give off; set free relevant having connection

religion no abatement of severity; yielding in one's purpose

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It's a traditional curriculum with a twist: a 12-step model program designed to prevent setback.
- 2. You have to be blunt and harsh in telling the truth about what he has done.
- 3. Kim Kardashian is the most direct descendant, and the biggest beneficiary, of Hilton's rule.
- 4. Sometimes, even the most assiduous socio-political commentators <u>delight</u> in the brighter side of life.
- 5. Lieberman is expected to <u>repeat</u> his criticism of the industry in an appearance before the committee.

- 1. ad-lib, extemporization, rehearsal, improvisation
- 2. clutch, impuissance, potency, reign
- 3. bemoan, exuberate, lament, weep
- 4. recidivate, redeem, regress, revert
- 5. apposite, extraneous, germane, pertinent

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

relinquish alter the structure

relish appreciation or liking; take pleasure

reluctant careless

remiss give up control or possession

remodel showing unwillingness

Group 02

remonstrance bitter regret

remorse expression of protest

remunerate pay

rend reject allegiance renegade tear or split apart

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. My only advice is this: If you do write, do it relentlessly and without regret.
- 2. The subtext of all this <u>protest</u> is quite clear, and it's familiar: the elected representatives must get a grip and do more.
- 3. In Bahrain a faulty spark plug saw Vettel give up the lead and he eventually finished fourth.
- 4. Profits reflect the efficient usage of capital in manners that others willingly pay.
- 5. He said that the journal itself was <u>careless</u> in publishing the study without mentioning these limitations.

- 1. abnegate, cede, renounce, usurp
- 2. abhor, detest, loathe, savor
- 3. conscientious, meticulous, remiss, scrupulous
- 4. acquiescence, demur, fuss, remonstration
- 5. apostate, partisan, traitor, turncoat

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

renounce give up; refuse to follow

renovate rescind or annul; refuse to recognize

repartee restore; bring back to life repatriate return to the country of origin

repeal witty response; good-natured teasing

Group 02

repel appetite satisfied; possessing great numbers

repertoire complete list

repine express discontent; long for replete fight against; cause aversion

repose state of resting; freedom from disturbance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. India's government in turn has pledged to crack down even harder unless rebels abandon violence and enter peace talks.
- 2. They <u>complain</u> about her populist-style politicking and that she relies too much on her father's reputation.
- 3. Scattered reports have emerged of activists using improvised and automatic weapons to resist government forces.
- 4. Thailand, another magnet for un-skilled laborers, has also been busy formulating plans to <u>send back</u> foreigners.
- 5. Investor confidence then grows if those companies can present a clear value strategy filled with metrics and benchmarks.

- 1. cede, inaugurate, relinquish, surrender
- 2. disfigure, patch, recondition, revamp
- 3. abort, annul, legislate, negate
- 4. capitulate, repel, submit, succumb
- 5. abominate, covet, crave, yearn

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

reprehend cancel the punishment; prevent from being closed

repress shining brilliantly reprieve criticism (n.)

resplendent express unfavorable opinion

reproof put down by force; prevent expression

Group 02

reprobate arousing aversion; not in harmony

reprove restore consciousness

resuscitate reject with denial; turn away

repugnant scold gently

repulse unprincipled; morally corrupt

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Health Minister Charity Ngilu described Mr Njonjo's views as "morally <u>offensive</u> and completely unacceptable".
- 2. The rod and <u>criticism</u> give wisdom, but a child left to himself bringeth his mother to shame.
- 3. The military used heavy weapons and helicopter gunships to <u>turn away</u> the attack.
- 4. If they receive a temporary <u>pardon</u>, that gives them more funds to make loans.
- 5. And our hero's transition from totteringly <u>undisciplined</u> to upstandingly civil is under way.

- 1. castigate, censure, extol, upbraid
- 2. crush, squelch, subdue, stir
- 3. absolve, amnesty, penalize, remit
- 4. fiend, rapscallion, saint, villain
- 5. avow, disavow, disclaim, gainsay

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

repute restrained requite necessary requisite make void

rescind repayment; punish reserved good reputation

Group 02

residue strong in tone

resign resume original shape; ability to recover

resilience remains

resolute give up office resonant firm determination

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Again, Mr. Howard's popularity rose, because he was seen to be taking such a determined stand.
- 2. The teachers' pension scheme was affordable and reasonable and a decent reward.
- 3. Rumors fly through the fishing community when tar balls or other <u>remains</u> shows up on the shores.
- 4. It should be ensured that new buildings that come up comply with <u>necessary</u> norms.
- 5. Center right opposition leader Tony Abbott has pledged to <u>cancel</u> the tax if elected to office.

- 1. avenge, condone, redress, retaliate
- 2. celebrity, notoriety, renown, reputation
- 3. dispensable, imperative, mandatory, obligatory
- 4. Iaconic, loquacious, reticent, taciturn
- 5. faltering, jittery, resolved, vacillating

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

resourceful causes shame; express criticism

respite rest, relief

respire impatient or uneasy; resisting control

reproach breathe

restive act effectively or imaginatively

Group 02

responsive declare not to be true; unwilling to accept

restless restoration

restrain quick to respond

resurgence not quiet repudiate limit, restrict

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Beijing opposes the use of force against nations with <u>impatient</u> minorities or independence-minded regions.
- 2. The company said high meat prices were probably the reason behind a <u>revival</u> in livestock rustling.
- 3. His style is a risky blend of formal abstraction and dramatic realism, and it demands capable actors.
- 4. Asking for self-regulation, says the paper, is like requesting the Mafia to <u>limit</u> its activities.
- 5. She had parted from her husband over a similar affair and sat there like a criticism and a warning.

- 1. adroit, awkward, resourceful, ingenious
- 2. Iull, intermission, recess, resumption
- 3. respire, smother, stifle, suffocate
- 4. nervy, phleamatic, restive, uptight
- 5. reanimate, resurrect, revivify, remorse

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

retainer cause to be slow retaliate group of retainers

retard inclined to be silent; slow to begin

retinue pay back reticent servant

Group 02

retort curtail expenses

retouch improve retract quick reply

retrench reward or punishment

retribution take back

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He praised committees for attempting to hold to account ministers <u>silent</u> with the details necessary to make the assembly fully accountable.
- 2. Russia has warned the move will damage relations between the two countries and has vowed to <u>revenge</u>.
- 3. Like many U.S. banks, BancWest is struggling to grow revenue as consumers save money, and BNP might expand it through small acquisitions.
- 4. Using microscopic analysis of the bone fragment, she and her colleague Francesco d'Errico at the University of Bordeaux in France found evidence it was used to improve stone tool edges.
- 5. In Thursday's parliamentary session, there were calls for him to <u>take back</u> his statements on rent.

- 1. avenge, condone, redress, requite
- 2. catalyze, expedite, hamper, precipitate
- 3. garrulous, restrained, reticent, taciturn
- 4. inquiry, rejoinder, repartee, riposte
- 5. abnegate, recant, repudiate, tender

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

retrograde looking back

retrospective moving backward; decline

revelry noisy partying

revenge respect revere retaliate

Group 02

revise annul

revive fill with disgust; renounce allegiance

revoke look over to improve

revolt return to consciousness; become active again

ribald vulgar

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The writer and director Bobcat Goldthwait turns an almost unredeemably vulgar comedy into a peculiarly moving drama.
- 2. Reversing things and renationalizing the railways would be a backward step.
- 3. Hopefully it will inspire a major museum to give Delaunay the full <u>review</u> she deserves.
- 4. At any time groups of Muslim fundamentalists could arise and start a resistance or rebellion.
- 5. Many Rhode Islanders still <u>respect</u> him and his release is causing a buzz throughout the state.

- 1. atrophy, crumble, meliorate, regress
- 2. conviviality, festivity, melancholy, gaiety
- 3. blaspheme, desecrate, profane, revere
- 4. abolish, nullify, revoke, void
- 5. bawdy, filthy, obscene, seemly

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rickety appended clause

rider break

ridicule lacking stability rife make fun of

rift with great numbers

Group 02

rile tear apart

ripen public violence riot prescribed form

rite make ripe

rive make agitated

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Three weeks later another <u>public violence</u> erupted, this time in the neighboring province of Yunnan.
- 2. The rapid dissolution of the marriage put the Kardashian clan squarely in line for public mockery.
- 3. His own early history, and the record of his films, seems <u>filled</u> with the required anxieties.
- 4. Such turmoil would <u>anger</u> other nations, put further downward pressure on the euro.
- 5. There's even a mulberry tree amid the hazel, walnut, and chestnut orchards that mature each July.

- 1. commend, ape, lout, taunt
- 2. awash, deficient, fraught, lousy
- 3. commotion, turmoil, tranquility, upheaval
- 4. coalesce, lacerate, ribbon, shred
- 5. flag, ripen, wane, wither

List 22

UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

riveting absorbing or engrossing

rivulet full of strength robust merrymaker roil small stream roisterer stir up; displease

Group 02

rookie list of personnel roster recruit, novice

rostrum regal character; payment to author

rouse stage for public speaking

royalty stir up; stop sleeping

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Going whole hog with all-encompassing and incredibly intricate models is a beginner mistake.
- 2. But more than selling to consumers, it is selling to other businesses through the Internet that is really <u>attracting</u> corporate attention.
- 3. Work now planned following Global Energy's announcement could <u>awaken</u> this sleeping giant back to life.
- 4. But even in periods of the most solid global growth there will be weak spots.
- 5. The fourth area of investment is in building a <u>platform</u> for private sector innovation.

- 1. arresting, enthralling, involving, vapid
- 2. bouncing, frail, gingerly, hale
- 3. array, muddle, rile, roil
- 4. allay, mitigate, rouse, soothe
- 5. apprentice, fledgling, recruit, veteran

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rubicund destroy smoothness; disturb rudimentary earliest stages; first principles

rue go over in the mind ruffle healthy rosiness

ruminate regret

Group 02

rumple subterfuge

run part, break; disagreement

runic mysterious

rupture form creases; undo the proper order

ruse course of performances

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This <u>break</u> is on display almost on a daily basis, in domestic and foreign policy.
- 2. Here in front of us he has the <u>healthy</u> face of a man who clearly got a lot of fresh air and exercise.
- 3. His head sank into his shoulders, his eyes filled with <u>regret</u>, as his sentences drawled on.
- 4. The telegraph allowed a <u>basic</u> wire service, relaying stories between cities at a faster pace.
- 5. One of the first demonstrations of this <u>mysterious</u> phenomenon came in the early nineteen-thirties.

- 1. pallid, rosy, ruddy, sanguine
- 2. incipient, nascent, primordial, ripe
- 3. abrade, chafe, erode, glaze
- 4. cogitate, deliberate, overlook, ponder
- 5. duration, intermittence, persistence, run

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rustic appealing to the emotions

rustle awkward or simple; rural; lacking polishing

sabotage defeat or hinder a cause

saccharine move with speed

sacrilege profanation

Group 02

saddle wise person

safeguard promoting health

sage prevent accident; make safe

salient load, burden

salubrious conspicuous, obvious

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It's practically <u>disrespect</u> to criticize the fundamental design of the NCAA tournament, whose brackets are universally lauded.
- 2. The first step to changing behavior is to make the distant future more <u>noticeable</u>, plausible and compelling.
- 3. The Adlers are hardly the first people to burden their kid with a suspect name.
- 4. He threatens <u>damage</u> and guerrilla attacks on our installations if we don't yield to his demands.
- 5. But Somaliland is in need of help and infrastructure to <u>protect</u> its ancient heritage.

- 1. bumpkin, churl, cosmopolitan, yokel
- 2. bolt, careen, poke, scurry
- 3. cultivate, nurture, obstruct, promote
- 4. maudlin, phlegmatic, sentimental, sugarcoated
- 5. blasphemy, defilement, glorification, impiety

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

salutary save from loss salutation promoting health

salvage make holy

salve greeting, praise

sanctify assuage

Group 02

sanctimonious free from doubt; healthy reddish

sanction hypocritically pious

sanctuary make smooth

sand make valid; coercive punishment

sanguine place of refuge

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Macy is a <u>hypocritical</u> anti-smoking senator from Vermont who has a collection of maple-syrup bottles in his office.
- 2. Yet at critical junctures he forced action, and almost all those actions had a <u>beneficial</u> effect on the war.
- 3. Bond investors are less <u>optimistic</u>, trading Kodak debt at levels that indicate a high risk of default.
- 4. He told CNN that such a move would help the commission save its credibility.
- 5. There is no property that allows celebrities to become godlike figures for us to divinize and idolize themselves in front of our very eyes, with our enthusiastic consent.

- 1. noxious, restorative, salubrious, tonic
- 2. accolade, homage, hymn, satire
- 3. forsake, rescue, retrieve, salvage
- 4. consecrate, hallow, sanctify, profane
- 5. canting, devout, hypocritical, sanctimonious

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sanitary deep understanding and intelligence

sap healthy sapient irony sarcasm satisfy

sate weaken; active strength

Group 02

sartorial wet thoroughly satiate tailored clothes

satire satisfy fully

satirize ridiculing literature

saturate ridicule (v.)

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. El Infierno is a dark comedy that doesn't so much glorify the drug world as it does <u>ridicule</u> the politics surrounding it.
- 2. <u>Wise</u> leaders also tend to be highly interdisciplinary in order not to enmesh themselves into any reckless situations.
- 3. And Kim feels greater foreign participation in the Korean economy will introduce essential energy and discipline.
- 4. Volunteers served hot meals and provided toothbrushes, wipes and other hygienic products to evacuees.
- 5. It was almost as if it were a living organism looking for another victim to <u>satisfy</u> its evil appetite.

- 1. aseptic, hygienic, noxious, sterile
- 2. debilitate, etiolate, fortify, prostrate
- 3. barb, indignity, slight, tribute
- 4. cram, famish, glut, satiate
- 5. replete, sate, surfeit, tantalize

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

saturnine appetizing; giving pleasure or contentment

saunter knowledge; clear idea; judgment

savant lacking in cheer; sardonic

savory learned person savvy travel by foot

Group 02

scads cause hurt feelings scant lack of agreement

scathing large amount

schism scarcely sufficient

scintillate sparks

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Forcing the facility on the community seems more a form of punishment than knowledgeable urban planning.
- 2. But warm salads are equally suited to the home kitchen, where they provide quick, <u>flavored</u> suppers and an ideal canvas for leftovers.
- 3. Everybody said there would be a <u>conflict</u> last year that the party would tear itself asunder and it didn't.
- 4. The Colonel, heavy, <u>gloomy</u>, his hooded eyes veiling an expression of amused avidity that Elvis sometimes thought he alone could read, had stayed in constant touch with him throughout his army hitch.
- 5. And the latest about turn was met with <u>biting</u> criticism from ex-England coach Dick Best.

- 1. bleak, cordial, dismal, solemn
- 2. ambrosial, noisome, palatable, scrumptious
- 3. chops, expertise, proficiency, tactlessness
- 4. profusion, paucity, slew, spate
- 5. copious, exiguous, voluminous, myriad

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

scion put an end to

scission division

scoff descendant

scorch deride, mock; eat greedily

scotch burn, make dry

Group 02

scorn wash; look through to find scour useless material; get rid of

scowl reject contemptibly

scrappy expression of displeasure

scrap aggressive

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Zhu was no young dynamo himself, but a 69-year-old with a permanent displeasure and scathing temper.
- 2. After all, Tung, the <u>descendant</u> of a wealthy shipping family, worked all his adult life in commerce.
- 3. If they fail to do so, the result may be declining living standards and social division.
- 4. He said the security guards tried their best to <u>stop</u> the demonstrators' advance, but were overwhelmed.
- 5. They <u>laugh</u> at forecasts of mass adoption and cite predictions that TiVo would be in 20 million homes by now.

- 1. cleavage, schism, sundering, unification
- 2. dampen, parch, sear, singe
- 3. flout, contemn, revere, scorn
- 4. pugnacious, scrappy, timorous, truculent
- 5. dump, jettison, retrieve, toss

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

scrawl comprehensible

scuff observe with great care

scrupulous principled; careful roughened by wear

scrutinize write carelessly

Group 02

scribble contemptible

scurrilous hidden

scurvy make meaningless marks

seamy sordid, base

secluded vulgar

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Rumor mongering is at pernicious pace, <u>vulgar</u> stories abound of the next bank to fail, the next dip.
- 2. Youngsters are warned to move around in groups and to stay away from <u>isolated</u> areas.
- 3. There was disbelief, and then there was what passed beyond the realm of the comprehensible into the sensuous world of warrior kings.
- 4. In the tributes she was said to be hard-working, <u>careful</u> and reliable and she always achieved top grades at school.
- 5. The Netherlands has independent press that daily <u>examine</u> every single detail the politicians.

- 1. cutthroat, immoral, principled, scrupulous
- 2. fathomable, legible, mysterious, scrutable
- 3. coast, scuff, slide, whisk
- 4. lousy, meritorious, scummy, wretched
- 5. cloistered, covert, secluded, solitary

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

secrete persuade sedate not migratory

sedentary free from agitation seduce conceal; generate sedulous careful perseverance

Group 02

seemly separate; part segment humiliation

self-abasement following the established traditions

self-absorbed contributing to later development; creative

seminal absorbed in one's own

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Their belief was that the mass perception of the gamer as a(n) <u>inactive</u> hermit was wrong.
- 2. Circling the lawn was a high red brick wall, dressed in a(n) appropriate way with slowly burning ivy.
- 3. He has, however, been <u>hardworking</u> in carrying out the second part of his promise: inspiration by example.
- 4. Most are drugs to treat cancer, <u>calm</u> patients during surgery or treat critically ill patients during emergencies.
- 5. And as I said, this is a challenge to every <u>section</u> of American society.

- 1. cache, conceal, divulge, ensconce
- 2. collected, composed, flustered, unruffled
- 3. migratory, nomadic, peripatetic, sedentary
- 4. assiduous, idle, industrious, laborious
- 5. uncouth, ribald, indecorous, seemly

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sensation causing putrefaction

sensitive lacking in cheer

sentinel sense; intense public interest

sepulchral susceptible septic watch over

Group 02

sequela discovery by accident sequester dried and withered sere free from uproar; calm

serendipity secondary results serene segregate; seclusion

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Once the final jury pool is selected, the plan is to <u>isolate</u> them in Orlando for the trial's likely six- to eight-week duration.
- 2. This <u>peaceful</u> spot looks like a Chinese watercolor, with its still ponds and towering scholar rocks.
- 3. The wounds had quickly gone <u>infected</u>, and there was no time to send a car to retrieve the child.
- 4. Invention has its own algorithm: genius, obsession, <u>chance</u>, and epiphany in some unknowable combination.
- 5. His movie has no traction, only a holy, gloomy glow.

- 1. numb, susceptible, vulnerable, subject
- 2. sepulchral, tenebrous, cordial, morose,
- 3. seclude, mingle, insulate, sequester
- 4. arid, dank, droughty, thirsty
- 5. arcadian, clamorous, raucous, tumultuous

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sermon winding

serpentine giving moral guidance

serrate notched

serried meanly or submissive servile having little space

Group 02

severe deceitfulness; false pretense

shackle exacting standards; difficult to endure

shadow lack of depth of understanding shallow restrictions; create difficulty

sham secretly follow

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Vistas of pine trunks, straight and dense, stretch out on every side.
- 2. The influence of the trance music of the Gnawa is there in the <u>winding</u> twisting of repeated rhythms and melodies.
- 3. Governments have no resources, so for those same governments to prop up the losers, they must by definition <u>restrain</u> the winners.
- 4. <u>Superficial</u> might describe the characters in this film, but the actors have different goals.
- 5. Placebo injections are more effective than placebo pills, and neither is as potent as <u>fake</u> surgery.

- 1. curvy, sinuous, straightaway, serpentine
- 2. compact, dense, loose, serried
- 3. clement, forbearing, lenient, ramrod
- 4. enfetter, emancipate, handcuff, pinion
- 5. bona fide, bogus, phony, spurious

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

shiftless having little depth shipshape keep away from shirk lacking in ambition

shoal order shopworn worn-out

Group 02

shred become reduced; draw back

shrewd cleverness or judgment

shrink conceal, protect

shroud dismiss; rid shrug small amount

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Hollywood has been famously left-leaning for decades, even as it teemed with insightful business operators.
- 2. But Pakistan's covert wars also tend to suck in and consume the bored, the curious, and the <u>lazy</u> youths in search of purpose and allegiance.
- 3. His accessories included a golden tie and a sky-blue pocket square folded into a(n) organized triangle.
- 4. He states clearly that his desire to devolve authority has nothing to do with a wish to escape irk responsibility.
- 5. The same thick clouds that <u>cover</u> the planet also contribute to a hellish greenhouse effect.

- 1. indolent, industrious, shiftless, slothful
- 2. kempt, prim, shipshape, sloven
- 3. crafty, naive, wily, savvy
- 4. balloon, condense, constrict, shrink
- 5. doff, don, douse, shrug

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

shun take on the appearance

sinecure standing above

signal lacking in common sense

simpleton keep away

simulate requires little work

Group 02

sin lightly burn

sidestep morally unacceptable

sincere avoid having to comply with

sinew vigorous strength singe without pretense

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In most areas, travelling as a couple has <u>notable</u> advantages, the biggest often being budget.
- 2. These fences provided increased snow accumulation and also helped <u>take</u> on the appearance of potential changes in environment and climate.
- 3. Growing up in Kansas, he was taught to embrace humility and privacy and to avoid self-aggrandizement.
- 4. Apparently the <u>dullard</u> who wrote this story needs to graduate from high school and take a class in economics.
- 5. In reality, Hunt is straining every <u>effort</u> to delay, if not block, the takeover whilst ensuring that he is not subject to judicial review.

- 1. dodge, elude, finesse, pursue
- 2. distinguished, luminous, mediocre, redoubtable
- 3. airhead, dolt, moron, sage
- 4. iniquity, morality, villainy, sin
- 5. drudgery, moil, sinecure, travail

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sinuous with doubts or questions sip swallow in liquid form skeleton structural framework

skeptic less plentiful; insufficient funds skimp irregular curves; not direct

Group 02

skirmish way of looking; create a wrong impression

skirt satisfy

slack not tightly fastened; not giving proper care

slake minor dispute slant go around

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Of course, he's constantly within reach of the honey he needs to <u>satisfy</u> his hunger, only to see it fall out of reach at the last moment.
- 2. The position of this <u>doubter</u> is that drugs are uniquely powerful reinforcers that hijack the brain's reward center.
- 3. Wednesday's <u>conflict</u>, albeit fleeting, shows how relations between the Koreas have the potential to deteriorate.
- 4. Official press reports were <u>insufficient</u>, stressing the high turnout and ignoring the democrats' successes.
- 5. Lord Hunt, who both helped create, and later abolish, the Poll Tax, is recognized as having the tortuous political skills needed to cut a deal.

- 1. bending, devious, serpentine, straight
- 2. dupe, gull, pigeon, skeptic
- 3. ample, meager, scanty, stingy
- 4. amity, rapport, rapprochement, skirmish
- 5. lax, slackened, taut, unsecured

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

slate causing to slide; acting in secret; not precise

slew large amount

slight not important; small in degree; treat with disdain

sloppy put on a list

slippery lacking neatness or order

Group 02

slipshod lazy person; move slowly sling send through the air sloth lacking neatness

slouch indifference to precision slovenly disinclination to action

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And there has been even greater <u>neglect</u> of social services like education, health and sustainable agriculture.
- 2. Students often need as much protection from their universities as they do from the entertainment industry's <u>careless</u> copyright enforcer thugs.
- 3. What makes the film so disappointing is not its errors of fact but the sullen laziness with which its episodes unfold.
- 4. The more informal an office as long as it's not <u>messy</u> the better the communication.
- 5. Cameron's leadership has weathered fierce criticism in recent months for a large number of perceived missteps.

- 1. driblet, mite, slew, pittance
- 2. fiddling, minute, momentous, nugatory
- 3. coarse, greased, lubricated, slicked
- 4. assiduity, indolence, inertia, torpor
- 5. blowsy, dowdy, spruce, unkempt

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sluggard clever or cunning; acting in secret

sluggish lazy person

slumber mark of guilt; pronounce indistinctly

slur sleep; inactivity

slow in movement, slow to respond

Group 02

smarmy hypocritically earnest smart killed by lack of air; refrain offensively self-satisfied

smirk sharp quick thought; suffer acutely smother superficial knowledge; small amount

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. John Mosca was then eighty a poker-faced man with a <u>clever</u> wit who had married relatively late in life.
- 2. America should never have embarked on this wretched journey which may soon oppress the private sector.
- 3. But it's not a dislike of cold, wet feet that drives some animals into a wintry inactivity.
- 4. On the other hand, investors have punished Mitsubishi Motors for its <u>slow</u> reform efforts.
- 5. This from a nation brought up on Parson Weems' <u>dishonest</u> fable about young George Washington's perfect truthfulness.

- 1. hummer, hustler, rustler, sluggard
- 2. catnap, doze, slumber, snooze
- 3. heed, overpass, slight, slur
- 4. fulsome, soapy, unaffected, unctuous
- 5. ease, mollify, relieve, smart

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

smug twist; express anger smuggling make thoroughly wet

snare illegal importation or exportation snarl high opinion of oneself; in good order soak catch and hold; capture by snare

Group 02

snobbish with contempt or neglect

snub serious; restraint; sound reasoning

sneer scorn

sober penetrated by water; thoroughly wet

sodden offensive air of superiority

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The singer said in a recent interview that her performance will be simple, elegant and serious.
- 2. Critics say the prohibition is less about animal welfare and more a <u>humiliation</u> to Spain by independence-minded Catalans.
- 3. The tone seems stuck at a lazy bonhomie, amusement for a rising, <u>self</u>satisfied commercial class.
- 4. He has started a blog that is part fascinating suit-nerd minutiae and part mock at lesser tailors.
- 5. The documentary depicts the charity mostly in poor light and as an old-fashioned, bigoted, superior, cruel and manipulative organization.

- 1. complacent, humble, overweening, pompous
- 2. disentangle, enmesh, ensnare, tangle
- 3. deride, gibe, jeer, venerate
- 4. facetious, flippant, jocular, sober
- 5. douse, impregnate, macerate, sear

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

solace comfort in sorrow; console

solder grave, serious

solemnity not easily yielding; sound reasoning

solicitous unite

solid urgent desire; concerned

Group 02

soliloquy able to pay debts; solution

solitude being alone

solvent dark and gloomy; lacking in cheer somatic discourse without addressing a listener

somber of the body

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- From that first moment, they were <u>considerate</u> and protective, instructing me to repeat their names after them to make sure I understood, and then asking my name.
- 2. The film is a succession of sweeping dramatic gestures and lofty incantations performed in an atmosphere of hushed <u>seriousness</u>.
- 3. Nearby, two dozen jewelers gently drop gleaming stones into engagement-ring settings, then <u>connect</u> them into place.
- 4. Pacquiao may find <u>consolation</u> in chaos, but it's hard to question his ability to manage distractions.
- 5. Carol or Virgie phoned every day, usually toward supper-time, when they must have thought her aloneness was least bearable.

- 1. agonize, harrow, solace, torment
- 2. sever, solder, split, sunder
- 3. agog, apathetic, solicitous, voracious
- 4. compact, flabby, rigid, stiff
- 5. carnal, corporeal, somatic, spiritual

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

somnolence worldly knowledge; complex

sonnet placate or soothe; wet thoroughly

sophisticated needing sleep

sop deceptive argumentation

sophism 14-line verse form

Group 02

soothe withstand stress; free from injury

soporific not clean; base sordid less plentiful

sound induce sleep; sleepy

sparse bring comfort; free from distress; make less severe

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But sometimes they figure out how to turn <u>base</u> personal dramas into clever political plays.
- 2. The entire world has witnessed Iraq's 11-year history of defiance, <u>deception</u>, and bad faith.
- 3. State sponsors could develop fairly <u>complicated</u> delivery systems to be used by relatively inexperienced terrorists.
- 4. The hotel also offers Pilates and a variety of other similar services to nourish or <u>calm</u> body and soul.
- 5. The landscape inside a bacteria cell is pretty <u>spare</u>, consisting mostly of free-floating genetic material.

- 1. doziness, drowsiness, insomnia, somnolence
- 2. balm, emollient, irritant, placebo
- 3. cosmopolitan, debonair, guileless, worldly
- 4. narcotic, invigorating, slumberous, somniferous
- 5. besmirched, immaculate, smudged, stained

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

spartan sudden flood; large number

spat simple, frugal

spate particular; clearly expressed

specific false look of truth specious brief petty quarrel

Group 02

speck looker-on

spectator sequence or range

spectrum small amount

speculate spend improvidently

spendthrift take to be true; profit from market fluctuations

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The notion that he should cling to a mere apartment he found both pathetic and erroneous.
- 2. The event is a bi-partisan celebration, drawing celebrities and performers from across the political <u>range</u>.
- 3. Bin Laden wears a dark wool cap, slightly rocking in his seat in the <u>simple</u> surroundings.
- 4. She explained what was behind a pre-wedding <u>fight</u> with her husband over wedding-planning duties.
- 5. The government initially had been perceived as balking at the IMF strictures by, for instance, endorsing a wasteful budget.

- 1. deluxe, luxurious, plush, spartan
- 2. imbroglio, rapport, tiff, wrangle
- 3. aboveboard, beguiling, deluding, fallacious
- 4. diapason, landmark, spectrum, scale
- 5. extravagant, improvident, provident, squandering

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

spent anger or ill will spindly drained of energy

spiny frail or flimsy

spleen requiring exceptional skill

splice unite

Group 02

spontaneous without apparent thought

spoof not often occurring

sporadic grow irregularly and without plan

sprawl full of vitality

sprightly exaggeration for comic effect; dupe

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Haynes will sing your name, then with a computer click or two digitally <u>merge</u> it into the song.
- 2. Being so slight and <u>thin</u>, it is not really surprising that ancient harvestmen have a relatively poor record.
- 3. When they arrived, the <u>infrequent</u> post-election violence that had plagued Abidjan for months escalated into war.
- 4. They are expressing <u>anger</u> about being dominated by corporations like Starbucks, McDonald's and Nike.
- 5. For much of the last seven months, opposition to the regime has been unplanned and leaderless.

- 1. peppy, spent, vitalized, weariless
- 2. gangling, lanky, spindling, squat
- 3. knotty, plain, ticklish, thorny
- 4. fuse, splice, sunder, unify
- 5. calculated, deliberate, intentional, spontaneous

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

spur arouses action; hold up; incite

spurious dirty; morally repulsive spurn lacking authenticity

squabble quarrel

squalid reject with disdain

Group 02

squall broad and short squander glance sideways

squat spend wastefully; cause to move apart

squint stop by force; put down

squelch violent windstorm

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This could have the <u>false</u> attraction that it would mitigate the ostensible fall in Greek wages necessary for recovery.
- 2. Mainstream economic theory says governments can <u>stimulate</u> demand, at least somewhat, through stimulus spending.
- 3. For some reason, Ibrahim imagines that the money is enough incentive for African leaders to reject corruption, greed and self-interest.
- 4. The breakdown of judicial responsibility to keep lawsuits reasonable causes doctors to <u>waste</u> billions in defensive medicine.
- 5. Russian officials say Mr. Magnitsky received inadequate medical care during his 11 months in prison in dirty conditions.

- 1. deterrent, impetus, momentum, spur
- 2. apocryphal, bogus, genuine, phony
- 3. accede, assent, embrace, spurn
- 4. scurvy, gallant, sordid, wretched
- 5. abet, muffle, repress, subdue

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

stabilize speak with pauses

stalwart showing no fear; strong and vigorous

stamina moral strength stammer make stable

startle frighten or surprise

Group 02

static firm in belief

stature height; quality or status

steadfast lack of movement; little change

stealth make wet; beyond limit

steep proceeding furtively; not to attract attention

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The Director-General reaffirmed UNESCO's longstanding and <u>firm</u> commitment to supporting the protection of Egyptian cultural heritage.
- 2. Benjamin Netanyahu had all the trappings of a showdown rather than a meeting between <u>resolute</u> allies.
- 3. But if, before the bogeyman jumps out, the door is slowly creaking open, you sort of know the bogeyman is going to come out, and that decreases your <u>surprise</u>.
- 4. It's dropping rapidly for LCD TVs, while prices for plasma sets remain relatively fixed.
- 5. Healing and developing inner <u>strength</u> to cope with personal vulnerability takes time, effort and commitment.

- 1. ballast, poise, stabilize, subvert
- 2. intrepid, stout, timorous, valorous
- 3. endurance, frailty, stamina, tolerance
- 4. perfidious, recreant, staunch, traitorous
- 5. abrupt, gradual, precipitous, steep

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

stench foul odor

stentorian insist on exactness

sterile inflexible; requiring effort; harsh, severe

stickler loud

stiff not productive; free from bacteria

Group 02

stifle unwilling to share; less plentiful

stigma mark with small spots

stint mark of shame

stingy hold back

stipple frugal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The future may be infertility, she may become <u>infertile</u> and she may have pelvic, abdominal pain.
- 2. And I'm proud to announce today we're about to take another step towards ending that <u>shame</u>.
- 3. Texas under Rick Perry has acquired a reputation for being <u>mean</u> about government-sponsored health care assistance.
- 4. India now faces <u>extreme</u> competition from the Philippines, according to recent research from IBM.
- 5. My sense of the story had been shattered by a <u>loud</u> explosion inside the Taj.

- 1. aroma, fragrance, stench, scent
- 2. effete, impotent, infertile, verdant
- 3. floppy, petrified, pliant, supple
- 4. foment, incite, provoke, stifle
- 5. blemish, smirch, stigma, renown

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

stipulate unaffected by pleasure or pain

stitch specify agreement

stock sharp unpleasant sensation stockade inventory; commonly used stoic enclosure; confinement

Group 02

stoke bear

stodgy dull; old-fashioned stolid showing little emotion

stomach supply with fuel; make greater

stonewall become uncooperative, obstructive

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In the Manila conference, a professor at Indonesia's Gadjah Mada University, described how official intransigence can block reform.
- 2. What the NMC does not do is <u>specify</u> any mandatory requirements for elderly care.
- 3. That at least gives less ammunition to those who are trying to <u>increase</u> anti-Muslim feelings.
- 4. They built crude huts with scraps of pine left over from construction of the barrier.
- 5. At present there seems to be plenty of enigmatic wisdom couched in detached silence.

- 1. designate, qualify, stipulate, relinquish
- 2. arid, jejune, pedestrian, riveting
- 3. aggrandize, abate, augment, escalate
- 4. catatonic, deadpan, stoic, vehement
- 5. collaborate, filibuster, hinder, stonewall

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

stouthearted channel joining waters; suffering

stratagem divide into classes

strait single filament; leave in unfavorable places

strand stout heart or spirit stratify trick for deceiving

Group 02

stray ability to exert effort

strength criticism

striate lacking purpose; move away, deviate

stricture long steps; progress stride mark with striations

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. If you care about animals, you can find a shelter that helps with <u>homeless</u> animals.
- 2. While limited references and debate to the personal conduct are allowed, the <u>criticism</u> against personally offensive references is not totally disabled.
- 3. He liked to frame his business as an epic battle between small, <u>brave</u> brewers and their evil industrial overlords.
- 4. Langleben acknowledges that his research is not quite the <u>progress</u> that the media hype has suggested.
- 5. As time passes, the giddy elation you felt at first, at the brilliance of your trickery, begins eroding into shame.

- 1. craven, pusillanimous, stalwart, timorous
- 2. channel, isthmus, strait, neck
- categorize, differentiate, homogenize, stratify
- 4. sinew, impuissance, potency, vigor
- 5. excoriation, eulogy, obloquy, reproof

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

strident walk pompously strike tight; rigorous stringent remove clothing strip harsh sound

strut act with force or violence; form by stamping

Group 02

studio hinder the growth stultify of strength or vigor

stupor make futile

stunt suspended sense

sturdy working place of an artist

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. From an industry point of view, the lining should also be strong and stable.
- 2. But now could be the best time to shake off your recessionary <u>apathy</u> and ask for what you deserve.
- 3. Mr. Panetta's tone was far more conciliatory and less <u>sharp</u> than that of his predecessor, Robert Gates.
- 4. The machines that tabulate the punch cards often <u>invalidate</u> ballots in which voters have not cleanly broken through the perforated hole.
- 5. Landowner conflicts arise, especially when the restrictions and conditions for development are very <u>severe</u>.

- 1. grating, mellifluous, jarring, raucous
- 2. stringent, draconian, lenient, exacting
- 3. constipate, nourish, stagnate, trammel
- 4. coma, lethargy, lassitude, vigilance
- 5. robust, rugged, stalwart, wimpy

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

stygian under authority; under influence

stymie present an obstacle

subdue high moral worth; inspire awe

subject extremely dark

sublime conquer

Group 02

subjugate below perception

subliminal bring under control; make subservient

submerge lower rank; under control

submissive submitting subordinate under water

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Third, McQueen's torturous treatment of runway models did not reflect a desire to conquer them but, I feel, to alian them with himself.
- 2. But sometimes other factors, including stringent environmental regulations and bureaucracy, can <u>obstruct</u> a project.
- 3. When a person offers his hand with the palm faced upwards, it is considered to be a(n) obedient gesture.
- 4. Ingalls's lighting was mostly <u>dark</u> and occasionally lurid, and several important interactions were staged entirely out of the light.
- 5. Pairing Bacon with Soutine, this show reveals the enormous gap between the bombastic and the awe-inspiring.

- 1. caliginous, dingy, lucent, stygian
- 2. capitulate, squelch, subjugate, vanquish
- 3. discharge, emancipate, manumit, subjugate
- 4. concealed, patent, subliminal, subconscious
- 5. prime, senior, superior, tributary

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

subservient having substance; considerable in importance

subside monetary support

subsidiary obsequiously submissive

subsidy secondary importance; aid or support

substantial tend downward

Group 02

substantiate support with proof; give material form

substantive relating to the essence

subterfuge overthrow

subtle difficult to perceive subvert deception to conceal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Coach Felipe Scolari's open-doors approach is a far cry from the secrecy and <u>deception</u> that surrounded many of Brazil's contenders for the crown.
- 2. That no one actually wants it is proof perfect that there should be no government <u>funding</u>.
- 3. Interest rates on junk bonds eventually began to <u>decrease</u> with the financial crisis unwinding.
- 4. Long-term studies are needed to <u>prove</u> a relationship between wrinkles and the risk of bone fracture.
- 5. Sloppier identification systems, based on things such as credit cards, are simply too easy to overthrow.

- 1. contumacious, obstreperous, recalcitrant, subservient
- 2. balloon, burgeon, ebb, wax
- 3. cardinal, paramount, subsidiary, supreme
- 4. allotment, appropriation, confiscation, subvention
- 5. artifice, chicanery, guilelessness, wile

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

succinct spread through

succor resentment or protest suffocate deprive of oxygen suffuse clear, precise

sulk aid

Group 02

sullen abstract

summary call together; command to appear in court

summit extremely luxurious

summon highest point sumptuous lacking in cheer

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. His brief but emotional pitch for "Finding Nemo", for example, was a masterful bit of brief storytelling.
- 2. It's hard to see the energetic outgoing child his parents describe beneath the <u>gloomy</u> demeanor that defines Youssif today.
- 3. The Dark Room refers to the photographic images that <u>pervade</u> the book, but is also a reference to the place where painful memories are kept beyond recall.
- 4. Below the monastery is a ramshackle village of poor Muslims, who regularly walk up to help the monks with manual labor and, in turn, to receive their <u>aid</u> and support.
- 5. <u>Luxurious</u> friezes and inscriptions cursing anyone tampering the grave decorate many sarcophagi found in the outgrowth.

- 1. circuitous, diffuse, prolix, succinct
- 2. imbue, evaporate, percolate, pervade
- 3. exuberate, jubilate, pout, rejoice
- 4. crescendo, culmination, meridian, nadir
- 5. deluxe, opulent, spartan, superb

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sunder add distinct feature

supercilious break apart

superficial exceeding sufficiency

superfluous haughty

superimpose lacking in depth

Group 02

supine usurp the place of supple make complete supplant make a request supplement lethargic, indifferent

supplicate bent, pliant

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. However, equality should not <u>replace</u> good grace and confidence in the respective social roles we've become accustomed to.
- 2. Commanders said they have agreed to <u>divide</u> the remaining loyalist area between them to prevent confusion.
- 3. Mr. Spacey turns Shakespeare's villainous hunchback-king into a monochromatic monster in a leg brace, by turns sarcastic, petulant and <u>arrogant</u>.
- 4. While monks circle barefoot around the grand shrine, the youths <u>request</u> my opinion about the future.
- 5. Simplifying the spec by moving out <u>redundant</u> features and focusing on core functionality is pragmatic.

- 1. sunder, rive, unyoke, concatenate
- 2. assumptive, bumptious, modest, overbearing
- 3. deficient, scanty, sparse, surplus
- 4. inert, supine, torpid, vigilant
- 5. limber, pliant, lithesome, stiff

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

supposition charge too much

suppress give over

surcharge inhibit the expression; put a stop surfeit judgment based on little evidence

surrender supply to excess

Group 02

surreptitious slim

susceptibility showing little resistance

suspend join

suture escape being observed

svelte bring to a formal close; hang

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Therefore, I believe discrimination will continue and the government will continue to put down the opposition.
- 2. This is largely because the unconscious is able to handle a(n) excess of information, digesting the data without getting overwhelmed.
- 3. All nine of the Japanese carmakers with operations in Thailand have been forced to stop production.
- 4. On Thursday, Fact and the Film Distributors' Association launched guidelines to help cinema staff and police catch people making <u>secret</u> recordings.
- 5. This <u>slim</u> camcorder seemed to handle noise more evenly than I remembered in prior Flip models.

- 1. ineluctability, proposition, surmise, supposition
- 2. repress, smother, stifle, stimulate
- 3. discount, gouge, soak, surcharge
- 4. redundancy, surplus, famish, plethora
- 5. plump, corpulent, paunchy, svelte

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

swagger arrogantly or pompously walk; boast

swear curse; oath

sweltering drink or eat greedily

swerve hot

swill turn aside abruptly

Group 02

swindle reasoning, deduction

sybarite flatterer

sycophant devoted to luxury syllabus course summary

syllogism cheat

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. To avoid a <u>red-hot</u>, frustrating and demoralizing experience, limit yourself to foot power during rush hour.
- 2. He then grabbed the steering wheel causing the driver to <u>change direction</u>, before leaving the bus at the next stop.
- 3. Imitation may be the sincerest <u>flatterer</u> action, but it's not necessarily the safest.
- 4. Mr. Minkow is a convicted stock-fraud felon who was imprisoned for his role in masterminding the ZZZZ Best stock <u>deception</u> in the 1980s.
- 5. So we should learn how to work and we should not <u>boast</u> saying that we are clever enough.

- 1. accolade, blaspheme, curse, cuss
- 2. algid, arctic, glacial, sweltering
- 3. detour, maintain, sheer, veer
- 4. ascetic, decadent, hedonist, sensualist
- 5. gulp, quaff, sip, swig

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

symbiosis balanced proportions

symmetry cooperating synchronous identical period synergic living together

synonymous similar

Group 02

synopsis start work

synthesis outline, abstract, summary tacit implied; not actually expressed

taciturn disinclined to talk tackle combination

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The ubiquitous foodstuff on the Kenyan coast is a <u>combination</u> of local and foreign ingredients.
- 2. The experience of Bosnia and Rwanda, where murderous hatreds resurfaced after decades of apparent <u>interdependence</u>, shows that categories are resilient.
- 3. The best <u>summary</u> of economic research, in my opinion, comes from the Federal Reserve branches.
- 4. This approach is interesting in its own right and at the same time <u>cooperative</u> with several other projects we are funding through the Intel Labs Academic Research Office.
- 5. But Charles, a gruff, sometimes <u>reserved</u> boy with a disinclination to show his sensitivity, soon grew disenchanted with the spotlight.

- 1. coherence, consonance, proportion, asymmetry
- 2. anachronistic, coetaneous, coeval, simultaneous
- 3. admixture, analysis, amalgamation, fusion
- 4. explicit, stated, tacit, voiced
- 5. loquacious, glib, prolix, taciturn

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

tact avoid offense

tactile inconsiderate or indiscreet

tactless keep away evil talisman morally bad taint tangible

Group 02

tamper real or concrete; capable of being perceived

tangent powerfully stimulating

tangible mischievously handle; tinker with rashly or foolishly

tangy irrelevant tantalize excite

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. I've often used this story to help visiting Britons not appear <u>inconsiderate</u> or insensitive if they have to ask someone's name, especially in New York City, which in numbers anyway is the capital of Jewry.
- 2. He said security officials have detected no serious attempts to alter the votes.
- 3. By the 1980s, Freud was applying thick layers of paint to convey a perceptible sense of reality.
- 4. However, numerous ball clubs constantly <u>tempt</u> second-tier free agent starting pitchers with overtly generous contract offers that well exceed their talents and capabilities.
- 5. Clinton wasn't a defendant in the case, and most jurors said they believed his videotaped testimony but found it off the topic.

- 1. clumsiness, diplomacy, insensitivity, tactlessness
- 2. blemish, pristine, tarnish, vitiate
- 3. excursive, essential, digressive, tangent
- 4. immaterial, palpable, tangible, touchable
- 5. bland, pungent, strong, tangy

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

tantamount bad temper

tantrum become narrower or thinner; diminish

taper equivalent

tardy make morally bad tarnish slow; delayed

Group 02

tasty shabby

tatty not loose; in proper order

taunt giving pleasure or contentment

taut gaudy

tawdry challenge, jeer at

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Notably, two-thirds of the students in the studies said they never <u>insult</u> or torment other students.
- 2. It's hard to remember that in the early 1930s libraries banned these books as <u>flamboyant</u> and sensationalist distractions from real literature.
- 3. More unfairly still, the misdeeds of one company can <u>corrupt</u> all its competitors as well.
- 4. Experts in death row say such multiple experiences with imminent death is equal to torture.
- 5. But at the very least, they were <u>slow</u> in acknowledging the scope of bad loans and their implications.

- 1. blowup, fit, pacification, tantrum
- 2. dilatory, lagging, meteoric, sluggish
- 3. delectable, disagreeable, satisfying, savory
- 4. lax, loose, slack, taut
- 5. meretricious, gaudy, garish, exquisite

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

taxing abstinence from alcohol

tedious dull, boring teeter effective

teetotalism move unsteadily; show uncertainty

telling requiring much time

Group 02

temerity act evasively

temporize avoiding extremes; restraint temperate defendable, reasonable

tempestuous foolhard, reckless

tenable sudden or violent disturbance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It is unclear how the latest escalation will affect the two countries' <u>turbulent</u> turbulent relationship.
- 2. The latest discovery suggests the theory that sub-Saharan Africa borrowed its iron technology from other cultures is no longer <u>reasonable</u>.
- 3. Safely inside the union building, he posed for pictures with union members, while the hired security leapt on photographers who had the <u>boldness</u> to take pictures through the windows.
- 4. The invitation looked innocent enough, and it was a break from <u>boring</u> military routine.
- 5. Your videos don't have to be big Hollywood productions to be engaging and effective.

- 1. drab, jading, riveting, weary
- 2. compelling, futile, persuasive, telling
- 3. audacity, presumption, pusillanimity, temerity
- 4. cataclysmal, serene, tumultuous, tempestuous
- 5. specious, indefensible, fallacious, tenable

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

tenacious persistent, adhering to

tendentious offer; having sympathy and consideration

tender little substance tenuous little interest biased

Group 02

terminology authentication of fact

terminus brief terror end

terse intense fear

testimony special terms or expressions

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Ministers have accused Labor peers of filibustering by making long and sometimes <u>biased</u> speeches.
- 2. Coalition and Afghan troops have been fighting the <u>persistent</u> Taliban militants in the Afghan-Pakistani region.
- 3. Lott, who has urged his Senate colleagues to be <u>brief</u>, said he did not want to rush the deliberations.
- 4. Trust in medical research remains <u>weak</u> because of what was done to great-grandparents and friends.
- 5. Turns out this road, this awesome Sa Colobra road, is a dead end, servicing a small seaside town at its watery boundary.

- 1. dogged, persevering, pertinacious, vacillated
- 2. unbiased, partial, distorting, tendentious
- 3. extend, proffer, tender, withdraw
- 4. ebullient, lukewarm, halfhearted, tepid
- 5. compendious, laconic, terse, rambling

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

testy treatment of disease tether full of thorns; ticklish theatrical fasten or restrain; limit therapeutic exaggerated, unnatural thorny easily annoyed, irritable

Group 02

threadbare petty quarrel

throng oppose

thwart hackneyed; poor; worn

ticklish easily offended; exceptional skill

tiff crowd in great numbers

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But, with more than five weeks to go until the transfer window closes, many SPL squads are looking rather worn-out.
- 2. His election Monday was greeted with <u>bad-tempered</u> comments from the media in both Beijing and Seoul.
- 3. The hackers were angered by officials who blocked cellphone signals to frustrate a protest last week.
- 4. The second problem is that such nudges are ill-equipped to solve <u>troublesome</u> societal problems.
- 5. Close reading of contemporaneous newspaper reports also reveals the fright that night was highly exaggerated.

- 1. affable, choleric, perverse, petulant
- 2. histrionic, melodramatic, theatrical, restraint
- 3. knotty, facile, ticklish, thorny
- 4. beggared, destitute, indigent, opulent
- 5. baffle, balk, checkmate, foment

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

tightfisted hackneyed

timeworn handle thoughtlessly timid lacking courage

tinker stingy tinge tint

Group 02

timorous angry and censorious speech

tint fearful flatterer toady slightly color

tonic stimulant, producing vigor

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Despite her attempts to minimize news of the breakup online, Chayra's exboyfriend launched a virtual <u>abuse</u> against her.
- 2. But even a symbolic presence can raise the stakes, especially against indecisive or <u>fearful</u> opponents.
- 3. Beijing is relying in part on a(n) <u>old</u> strategy of forcing state companies to share the cost of public facilities.
- 4. Where Tengo had a relaxed and generous look, his father appeared nervous and mean.
- 5. Bob Parker says the prince's visit is a powerful <u>energizer</u> for a beleaguered city.

- 1. bounteous, freehanded, munificent, parsimonious
- 2. banal, hackneyed, novel, trite
- 3. stalwart, gutsy, tremulous, venturous
- 4. dye, pigment, suffuse, tinge
- 5. noxious, salubrious, sanative, wholesome

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

topsy-turvy intensely hot; great depth of feeling

torpid lack of interest; inert torpor lacking in order

torrential lacking in sensation; slow

torrid rapid streams

Group 02

tortuous readily giving in, tame

tout praise toy indirect

tractable handle thoughtlessly tranquility freedom from storm

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Support from public-safety unions can allow politicians to <u>praise</u> themselves as tough on crime.
- 2. Finally, investment demand has been <u>passionate</u>, as seen with the surge of capital into gold-backed ETFs.
- 3. The pockmarked limestone gives the room a rich, understated feel and enhances its noble calmness.
- 4. Both acts create economic growth according to the <u>disordered</u> logic of men like Krugman.
- 5. Asia's other sleeping giant has only recently begun to wake up from the inactivity induced by a series of lackluster governments.

- 1. chaotic, anarchic, topsy-turvy, trim
- 2. complacence, insouciance, nonchalance, regard
- 3. glacial, scalding, torrid, sweltering
- 4. asperse, revile, tout, vituperate
- 5. pandemonium, tranquility, turmoil, uproar

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

transcend transitory, short-lived

transfigure transform fail to keep

transient capable of transmitting light; easily understandable

transparent beyond the limits

Group 02

translucent transparent transitory arduous

travail exaggerated imitation traverse lasting only a short time

travesty pass across

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Normally, judges punish people who violate the regulations with fines.
- 2. With their <u>transparent</u>, jellybean-colored shells, those machines seemed friendly in part because consumers could see their insides.
- 3. Theorists have predicted that the presence of such <u>passing</u> visitors has little effect on everyday life.
- 4. It is long past time to dismantle this agency and prosecute those responsible for this mockery.
- 5. We listened earnestly, all of us, hoping to understand and to <u>exceed</u> the need to understand.

- 1. breach, comply, contravene, transgress
- 2. transitory, ephemeral, fleeting, permanent
- 3. limpid, opaque, pellucid, transpicuous
- 4. cryptic, enigmatic, obscure, patent
- 5. caricature, paragon, parody, spoof

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

treacherous sharp trenchant offense

trepidation declaration of gratitude

trespass betrayal

tribute apprehension

Group 02

trickle suspension of fighting trite shirking responsibility trivial of little importance

truant hackneyed truce fall in drops

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Those close to the British prime minister pay <u>honor</u> to Clinton's grasp of policy detail.
- 2. Second, he wanted his players to learn how crucial seemingly <u>unimportant</u> details could be.
- 3. He describes some battle scenes quite well, but is a mediocre observer whose analysis is often hackneyed.
- 4. The combination of these technological developments will inevitably be accompanied by an element of <u>fear</u>.
- 5. But throughout his career, our correspondent says, Mr. Singh has displayed an ability to stand firm and outlast his most sharp critics.

- 1. fast, perfidious, recreant, traitorous
- 2. blunt, dull, obtuse, trenchant
- 3. intrude, transaress, trespass, retreat
- 4. accolade, encomium, panegyric, reproof
- 5. consequential, material, indispensable, petty

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

truculent shorten

trudge riot, disturbance

trumpet move heavily or clumsily

truncate make known

tumult harsh insulting; eager to fight

Group 02

truss beginner, novice turbid deficient in clarity

turbulent excessively embellished turgid gather into a tight mass tyro showing disturbance

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The prospect of Europe falling back into recession has increased amid the recent disturbance of dismal economic data.
- 2. The heaviness of being successful was replaced by the lightness of being a beginner again, less sure about everything.
- 3. So that we really can <u>shorten</u> the system but nevertheless have good quality decision-making and a fair process.
- 4. The director James Cameron is six feet two and fair, with paper-white hair and <u>unclear</u> blue-green eyes.
- 5. In space, the shuttle installs a permanent structural <u>tie</u> and other components onto the international space station.

- 1. belligerent, combative, feisty, pacific
- 2. breeze, plod, trudge, flounder
- 3. abbreviate, curtail, protract, retrench
- 4. limpid, turbid, pellucid, crystalline
- 5. austere, flatulent, bombastic, pompous

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

turncoat typed error turpitude traitor, spy

twig have a clear idea of typo baseness, depravity turmoil agitation, commotion

Group 02

ubiquitous everywhere, often observed unassailable extraordinary or abnormal

uncanny flattering; affected, exaggerated

uncouth lacking in refinement unctuous not to be violated

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Until and unless high-speed wired and wireless networks are <u>everywhere</u>, none of this can happen.
- 2. Here, far from the muck of the trenches, the film's most disturbing images unfold, as high-ranking officers calmly plot the basest <u>immorality</u>.
- 3. As today's Ms. Price moves, the Ms. Price of tomorrow mimics her movements with extraordinary precision.
- 4. In the 61 years since the 1949 Liberation there has not been a single <u>spy</u> who could pass on intelligence to the West.
- 5. In the view of most bankers, land developers were rough types with <u>rude</u> manners and loud clothes.

- 1. loyalist, turncoat, partisan, adherent
- 2. abjection, libertinism, perversion, probity
- 3. dabbler, dilettante, fledgling, vet
- 4. omnipresent, idiosyncratic, universal, ubiquitous
- 5. crass, genteel, urbane, seemly

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

underdog beyond reproach

undergirdemphasizeundermineloser, victimunderscorestrengthenunexceptionableweaken, impair

Group 02

understudy inability to be graceful

understate not easily upset

unflappable present with restraint effort; avoid obvious emphasis

ungainly take over another's duties

unimpeachable unquestionable

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This being Europe, every step toward the ultimate resolution of the debt crisis seems awkward, unbalanced, and generally insufficient.
- 2. John was a man of <u>unquestionable</u> integrity and courage, as were those he served with.
- 3. She pivoted off the claims to <u>emphasize</u> an antiestablishment message that has so far resonated.
- 4. Muckey's <u>calm</u> work ethic and fearlessness in tackling the difficulties of his instrument make him stand out.
- 5. Roby spent three years as his <u>substitute</u>, while Moore is back from a season out on loan at Huddersfield Giants.

- 1. undermine, undergird, debilitate, enervate
- 2. accentuate, attenuate, italicize, underscore
- 3. assailable, irrefutable, unexceptionable, unimpeachable
- 4. blundering, coordinated, adroit, lissome
- 5. collected, composed, imperturbable, shakable

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

unkempt not reciprocated unlettered not productive

unpretentious modest; not intended to deceive

unproductive lacking in order

unrequited deficient in knowledge, illiterate

Group 02

unruly unaware; by chance

untenable numerous

untold not favorable, unpropitious; resisting control

untoward not defendable unwitting difficult to discipline

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The dean of St Paul's Cathedral in London has resigned, saying his position had become <u>unsteady</u>.
- 2. Vladimir Nabokov thought that <u>unreturned</u> love was part of what writing was part of a long chase.
- 3. Encircling the moon, throughout the amphitheater, these lanky figures stood or sat, their faces framed by beards or messy hair.
- 4. Since taking office in 1991 he had called <u>countless</u> times for more arrests and harsher penalties.
- 5. The result is an accessible and <u>modest</u> cookbook that reads like recipes from a friend.

- 1. slovenly, slipshod, topsy-turvy, uncluttered
- 2. erudite, illiterate, unlettered, untutored
- 3. demure, meek, supercilious, unostentatious
- 4. unassailable, indisputable, unexceptionable, untenable
- 5. auspicious, propitious, fortunate, untoward

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

unwonted support

upbraid seize and hold without legal authority

uphold reproach severely

urbane polite

usurp not habitual or ordinary

Group 02

utterproduce immunityvaccinatelack of intelligencevacillatehesitate, oscillate

vacuous erratic, unpredictable action

vagary articulate, speak

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The title of "Hope in the Air" is deceptively optimistic: Marling's words <u>waver</u> between hope and despair, and the instrumentation is sparse.
- 2. Bureaucrats in the national agencies, concerned Brussels would <u>seize</u> their powers, resisted the plan.
- 3. Robin Briggs, from All Souls College, attacked the "preposterous nonsense" and the "intellectually <u>empty</u>" ideas underpinning changes to higher education funding.
- 4. For it often took considerable effort to draw urban and <u>cultured</u> musicians to this relative backwater.
- 5. Symantec said this is the first case in which a corrupted mobile application was used to censure people for piracy.

- 1. routine, accustomed, customary, unwonted
- 2. hymn, upbraid, panegyrize, cringe
- 3. churlish, debonair, refined, courteous
- 4. abdicate, expropriate, preempt, usurp
- 5. apt, fatuous, inane, obtuse

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vague bidding farewell

valediction brave valiant correct valid defeat

vanquish not clearly expressed; lacking definite shape

Group 02

vapid make smooth and glossy

vaporize lacking interest variance lack of harmony variegated different colors convert into vapor

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. I believe that you have uttered the most inane remark I have read lately, with the exception of several empty statements made by Governor Perry.
- 2. He says he's optimistic that the eradication campaign will eventually <u>conquer</u> the snails.
- 3. But beekeepers are fighting back in a <u>brave</u> attempt to stave off the disastrous bee population decline.
- 4. Other lavishly decorated rooms, filled with <u>various</u> marbles and frescoes featuring epic scenes, extended on the sides of the fountain court.
- 5. The big problem in Italy is that we have no <u>effective</u> alternative at present.

- 1. ambiguous, enigmatic, explicit, nebulous
- 2. gutless, pusillanimous, timorous, valiant
- 3. capitulate, conquer, subdue, subordinate
- 4. annihilate, erect, demolish, pulverize
- 5. kaleidoscopic, monochromatic, iridescent, variegated

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vault propel oneself upward; leap suddenly

vaunt open to corrupt

veer great depth of feeling

vehement change direction

venal boast

Group 02

vendor conceal; thin surface layer

veneer easily excused

venerate poisonous matter; desire to cause pain

venial respect venom sell

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. She also maintained a lifelong passion for education and was a <u>passionate</u> supporter of federal assistance for schools.
- 2. In Japan, one entrepreneur set up a virtual cemetery, a website where people could <u>honor</u> the dead.
- 3. Well-heeled Chinese individuals aren't shy about flaunting their wealth, and it is one of the few markets in which manufacturers can openly <u>boast</u> the luxurious nature of their products.
- 4. After the protests end, residents will still have to cope with service shortcomings that belie the city's metropolitan <u>surface</u>.
- 5. But for ordinary citizens tired of the money-grubbing antics of <u>corruptible</u> politicians, it was like a breath of fresh air.

- 1. belittle, deprecate, minimize, vaunt
- 2. bribable, purchasable, scrupulous, venal
- 3. divulge, extenuate, gloss, sugarcoat
- 4. deify, flout, revere, venerate
- 5. comity, malevolence, meanness, viciousness

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

veracious determine the accuracy

verbatim exact words

verbose green with vegetation

verdant more words than necessary verify telling the truth; precise

Group 02

verisimilar universal; fluctuating readily

veritable not false

vernacular nonstandard language; suitable for speech

versatile familiarize; poetry verse appearing to be true

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The format for the seminar is inclusive of keynotes, panel discussions and conversations that will be documented <u>word by word</u> and published as Proceedings.
- 2. They are extremely <u>adaptable</u>, and can operate day and night in virtually all weather conditions.
- 3. "One Day" gives us something different and off-putting, a long succession of scenes, mostly chaste and insistently wordy, that represent whole years.
- 4. Journalists are unable to move around freely in Syria and information is hard to confirm independently.
- 5. She had been vague when suddenly she was doubtful, and was less <u>truthful</u> than she might have been.

- 1. mendacious, prevaricating, untruthful, veracious
- 2. circuitous, diffuse, pithy, rambling
- 3. attest, corroborate, refute, vindicate
- 4. plausible, probable, specious, verisimilar
- 5. ambidextrous, clumsy, protean, versatile

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vertigo dizzy state

verve simple structure and reduced size

vessel smallest trace

vestige tube of body fluid; watercraft

vestigial vitality

Group 02

veteran substitute for another

veto knowledgeable, experienced

vex forbid or prohibit viable can be done vicarious bring agitation

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. That <u>energy</u> was maintained in the opening moments after the break, during which time they equalized.
- 2. Reaction has been mixed to the New Year's resolution that gets rid of what some see as a <u>trace</u> of colonialism.
- 3. The 16th is a 476-yard par 4 so narrow and steeply pitched uphill that players risk faintness.
- 4. Some options offer much slower rates, but that doesn't necessarily make them less <u>practical</u>.
- 5. Substitute existence never becomes more important than real experience.

- 1. dizziness, giddiness, sobriety, vertigo
- 2. lethargy, listlessness, torpidity, verve
- 3. doyen, maven, recruit, veteran
- 4. blackball, reject, sanction, veto
- 5. assuage, conciliate, grate, propitiate

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vicious alertly watchful

vicissitude desire to inflict; violent or ferocious

victimize natural change

vigilant subject to deception vignette vivid representation

Group 02

vigorous energy

vilify free from blame; give evidence

vim seeking revenge

vindicate utter slanderous statements

vindictive with active strength; withstand hardship

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But he has called Walker's proposal an assault on unions and urged other governors not to belittle public workers.
- 2. Today, the Palestinian people lack effective courts of law and have no means to defend and justify their rights.
- 3. Keeping your resume fresh is important for unexpected opportunities and to stay watchful about your career.
- 4. Inside the overflowing prison, he got into violent fights over insults and the like.
- 5. We are protected from attack only by <u>energetic</u> action abroad and increased vigilance at home.

- 1. atrocious, benignant, fiendish, truculent
- 2. fluctuation, mutation, uniformity, vicissitude
- 3. cozen, disenchant, hoax, swindle
- 4. brisk, robust, sluggish, vital
- 5. asperse, calumniate, commend, vilify

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

virtuoso showing moral excellence virtuous poisonous; destructive course

virulent masterly skill; exceptional knowledge

viscid guided by ideals; with foresight

visionary glutinous

Group 02

viscous abuse or censure

vitality reduce value; debase in moral

vitiate scathing vitriolic vigor

vituperate viscid, sticky

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The foreign secretary praised Liberal Democrat leader Nick Clegg for sticking with the coalition despite often <u>hurtful</u> criticism from his party's supporters.
- 2. The American immediately broke back and then held serve but continued to abuse the umpire at the changeover, as her composure ebbed away.
- 3. Essentially, it boils down to the fiscally <u>moral</u> having control over the fiscally reckless.
- 4. The congregation hailed Col Gaddafi as a(n) <u>insightful</u> and a great African leader.
- 5. The search thus began for a liquid that was both sticky and highly reflective.

- 1. amateur, connoisseur, , maven, virtuoso
- 2. salubrious, toxic, venomous, virulent
- 3. adhesive, glutinous, slick, viscous
- 4. myopic, prescient, provident, visionary
- 5. acrid, balmy, caustic, vitriolic

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vivacious vehement outcry vociferous ready speech volatile rapid change

volition making one's own choices

voluble lively

Group 02

voluminous with great number

voluptuous huge appetite; insatiable

voracious give guarantee
votary fervently devoted
vouch enjoyments of luxury

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Ultimately, the Fed and commercial banks cut off the monetary spigot, either by their own will or because the demand for money plummets.
- 2. This could also happen if prices of Treasury and agency securities became more <u>unpredictable</u>.
- 3. He believes that despite problems in the European industry and South Korea's greedy appetite for growth, Britain can prosper.
- 4. David Mele kicked a fourth-minute penalty as the hosts made a strong start in front of noisy crowd.
- 5. Beds are <u>luxurious</u> and the quiet rooms look onto the garden, an oasis of calm with an inviting timber-decked pool.

- 1. bouncing, languid, kinetic, zippy
- 2. blatant, clamorous, reticent, strident
- 3. capricious, mercurial, stationary, versatile
- 4. garrulous, loquacious, laconic, vocative
- 5. carnal, lush, spartan, voluptuous

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vulgar tilt from side to side

vulnerable talk foolishly waddle open to attack

waffle morally crude; suitable for speech

waft float

Group 02

wag poor health wan lack; desire

wanderlust impulse to travel

wane humorous person; move back and forth

want decrease

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Jobs also belittled the quality of Android and Google's other non-search products, which he described in <u>impolite</u> terms.
- 2. Paul Rudd is mainly the straight man in this <u>pale</u>, sentimental, occasionally very funny comedy.
- 3. In less than a year the business had to close for lack of customers.
- 4. Girls in particular seem to be a little bit more exposed to learned helplessness.
- 5. But for some analysts and politicians Mr. Murdoch's influence was already on the decline.

- 1. bawdy, obscene, ribald, urbane
- 2. assailable, invincible, susceptible, vulnerable
- 3. articulate, babble, drivel, prattle
- 4. buoy, drift, founder, raft
- 5. covet, long, loathe, yearn

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

warmonger assume responsibility for quality

warp cautious

warrant spend self-indulgently

wary turn from course; twist; alter the meaning

wastrel urge war

Group 02

watershed turning point

wax persuade by flattery waylay increase; coat with wax

welter disorder

wheedle attack from ambush

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. So far, lawmakers haven't been able to <u>persuade</u> specifics out of an all-star cast of witnesses appearing before the Senate Banking Committee Thursday morning.
- 2. He said he hoped the "sickening murder" would be a <u>turning point</u> in the history of the Shankill.
- 3. The company now has branches across China, and says it is looking to increase overseas.
- 4. The situation is certainly not dramatic enough to <u>guarantee</u> a second rate increase in successive meetings.
- 5. As Nagano grew deeper into the hills, the monkeys grew less <u>guarded</u> of the human invaders.

- 1. belligerent, hawk, jingoist, pacifist
- 2. clarify, illuminate, illustrate, warp
- 3. approbate, ratify, sanction, veto
- 4. fritterer, miser, profligate, squanderer
- 5. pandemonium, turmoil, tranquility, whirl

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

whet morally bad
whiff promoting health
whimsical sharpen; stimulate

wholesome slight gust; imperceptible sign wicked sudden illogical changes

Group 02

wince ability to understand windbag pleasing and engaging

windy shrink from pain winsome talkative person

wit verbose

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Sketching out a few <u>charming</u> particulars of an otherwise vaguely defined relationship, the song feels sullen and sweet, the way a fondly recalled love should.
- 2. Some of the more popular nightclubs have a <u>changeable</u> door policy, and men will often find themselves turned away.
- 3. All the systems that you mentioned above can be categorized as <u>immoral</u> problems or messes.
- 4. The soaring number of Chinese Internet users coupled with rising incomes has rouse investor appetite for Chinese Internet companies.
- 5. We can use data infrastructure help us create and consume <u>healthy</u>, delicious food.

- 1. blunt, grind, hone, whet
- 2. capricious, fickle, resolute, volatile
- 3. insalubrious, noxious, recuperative, unwholesome
- 4. blench, confront, quail, tremble
- 5. abominable, enchanting, loathsome, odious

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

withdraw take back

wither refrain from giving

withhold move or proceed unsteadily; show uncertainty

wizen become wrinkled; dried up

wobble become sapless

Group 02

worldly expression of differing opinions

worship not spiritual; experienced wrangle poor in quality; dejected

wretched respect, honor

wry twisted or bent; stubborn

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But he is worried that a downgrade would <u>shake</u> an already weak economy, hurting stocks and the dollar and potentially helping bonds.
- 2. It does not, however, allow members to <u>hold back</u> data from its ad targeting system.
- 3. His country, he notes, has already suffered the humiliation of watching its global preeminence decline.
- 4. It's meant to be a month of reflection, prayer and charity, detachment from daily affairs.
- 5. Al-Shabaab has threatened to attack Kenya if it does not <u>take back</u> its forces from Somalia.

- 1. shrivel, wane, thrive, wither
- 2. concede, grant, permit, reprobate
- 3. carnal, corporeal, mundane, psychic
- 4. deification, reverence, scorning, veneration
- 5. blissful, buoyant, doleful, jubilant

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

xenophobe piquant yoke join; attach

yokel inhabitant of a rural area zeal fearful of what is foreign

zealot fanatical partisan
zenith enthusiastic devotion
zesty culminating point

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Once upon a time teleworking was the future that would free us from the bondage of office life.
- 2. The <u>stimulating</u>, upbeat songs have received relatively little airplay on mainstream radio, yet more than three million albums have been sold.
- 3. Not only financial judgment but social skills and general well-being reach a highpoint as people cross the half-century mark.
- 4. By contrast, Mr. Brown sanctioned attacks on Mr. Blair and his closest supporters with destructive passion.

- 1. conjugate, hook, sunder, yoke
- 2. bucolic, churl, cosmopolitan, provincial
- 3. apathy, fervor, nonchalance, torpor
- 4. apogee, crest, nadir, pinnacle
- 5. bland, insipid, vapid, zesty

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

abreast completion

absent consistency; in harmony; give

acclaim in line; knowledgeable accomplish not present; lost in thought

accord public acknowledgment; approval

Group 02

acknowledge settle

acquire get, obtain acquisitive difficulty

adjudicate desirous of acquiring

adversity admit

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Case studies like Delicious do little to deter corporations from looking to <u>obtain</u> promising start-ups.
- 2. Government officials could use such tools to keep <u>informed</u> of developments in the Arab press, for example.
- 3. One obvious problem would be that if people don't have money they would turn more to greedy crime.
- 4. Let history also record that our generation of leaders followed through on these ideals, even in difficulty.
- 5. Zelaya this month inked an <u>agreement</u> with the country's current president that allowed him to return.

- 1. abreast, desultorily, haphazardly, willy-nilly
- 2. distracted, vigilant, watchful, wary
- 3. castigate, excoriate, hail, lambaste
- 4. consensus, incongruity, tune, unanimity
- 5. avaricious, mercenary, philanthropic, rapacious

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

affectation assert as valid, confirm

affirm attach physically affix eagerly awaiting affliction great suffering

agape not natural or genuinely felt

Group 02

agility pleasing

agonize make unfriendly agreeable feel sadness or pain alienate ease and grace alloy combination

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Swail's rise to prominence is even more staggering considering he has had to battle a hearing disease throughout his life.
- 2. Not only did Mr. Clinton take the Pope's arm and help him to walk, adopting without <u>pretention</u> the role of the Good Samaritan.
- 3. Its unique synthetic character is determined by a specific <u>combination</u> of the 14 chromosomes.
- 4. Using old-fashioned pen, paper and tape, <u>attach</u> your emergency contact information to the back of your photo identification.
- 5. I've seen rock stars <u>feel sad</u> about the fact that another artist has far more Facebook "likes" and Twitter followers than they do.

- 1. facade, guise, genuineness, mannerism
- 2. agog, agape, anticipant, averse
- 3. definess, dexterity, gawkiness, nimbleness
- 4. besiege, excruciate, plague, solace
- 5. alienate, disgruntle, reconcile, sour

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

ambivalent add on to; join

anachronistic chronologically misplaced analogous common, comparable annex make explanatory notes annotate mixture of opposing feelings

Group 02

antedate out of style

antipathy in direct and unequivocal opposition

antiquated ghostly figure

antithetical earlier date, predate apparition aversion or dislike

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Meetings between the three countries <u>predate</u> their inclusion in the so-called Brics group of major emerging economies: Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.
- 2. Like many who represent the vilified Wall Street bankers and investors, Mr. Kaplan was unsure about the protests.
- 3. There is an apparent contagion of <u>dislike</u> among people who have previously supported wind power.
- 4. He and others maintain that the 78-year-old rules are <u>outdated</u> and confusing to shoppers.
- 5. These issues are most directly <u>opposing</u> to American values but do not lend themselves to quick, dramatic solutions.

- 1. abate, adjoin, affix, tack
- 2. antecede, forego, predate, succeed
- 3. animus, grudge, jaundice, predilection
- 4. contemporary, moribund, obsolete, rusty
- 5. entity, phantom, specter, wraith

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

applicable put to use; relevant; appropriate

apprehensive force one's will on others; lacking definite plan

arable fit for growing crops arbitrary difficult to understand

arcane actively impressed; anxious or fearful

Group 02

argument arrangement; arrange or display arid criticize harshly; take violent action array expression of differing opinions; ideas

assail lack of balance

asymmetry little precipitation; lack of interest

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In a supposedly enlightened egalitarian age, the tone of this article is decidedly mysterious.
- 2. And because they don't intervene on the top side and just the bottom side, you can get an <u>imbalance</u> and moral hazard.
- 3. Men often disparage women for being irrational, <u>random</u>, and more than a little capricious.
- 4. While Mr. Einhorn is known as an investor more than willing to publicly <u>attack</u> corruptible corporate management teams.
- 5. His fields of interest are hydrology, hydraulics, and water and land resources management under dry conditions.

- 1. apt, befitting, felicitous, malapropos
- 2. arable, barren, sterile, infertile
- 3. autocratic, democratic, despotic, tyrannous
- 4. accessible, elliptical, nebulous, occult
- 5. dehydrated, droughty, moist, sere

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

atrophy waste away

attest toward a happy outcome

attune give evidence august formal and serious auspicious bring into harmony

Group 02

austere declaration

automatic have reverse effects

avowal independent of external influence; spontaneous

backfire revert to a worse condition

backslide simple; stern and cold

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And after such <u>promising</u> beginnings, West Indies have consistently failed to hit those heights again.
- 2. I've been to the bleary-eyed burnout stage, and I'm here to <u>confirm</u> that these simple suggestions work.
- 3. Last month Gatwick Airport unveiled a new logo, replacing a rather <u>simple</u> style with a custom-made, handwritten script.
- 4. He suffered for several years from arteriosclerotic <u>downgrade</u> of the brain, and he died, in Walter Reed Army Medical Center, in 1959.
- 5. The movie unfurls like a big top, or an elephant parade: lugubrious but serious.

- 1. atrophy, decay, meliorate, regress
- 2. attest, corroborate, gainsay, vindicate
- 3. imposing, goofy, solemn, staid
- 4. deluxe, lavish, stark, sumptuous
- 5. backslide, lapse, retrograde, stride

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

baffle owing gratitude

belligerence lie or relax

bash frustrate or check; confuse bask forceful blow; criticize harshly beholden aggressiveness or truculence

Group 02

behoove assertive, hostile or combative

beige cause persistent suffering baffling hard to comprehend belligerent lacking distinction

beset be proper or advantageous

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But it also makes brands <u>grateful</u> to stockholders who demand increases in profits every three months.
- 2. The deadly E. coli strain which has never been seen in an outbreak before continues to confuse officials.
- 3. It would <u>benefit</u> our present generations to remember from whence the wealth we enjoy came.
- 4. That might require outgrowing any aggressive and <u>combative</u> tendencies that may have characterized their youth.
- 5. But Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi, <u>troubled</u> by personal scandals, has failed to pass clear measures.

- 1. balk, check, nurture, thwart
- 2. baffling, bewildering, perspicuous, perplexing
- 3. bask, loll, plod, repose
- 4. beige, diagnostic, discriminating, peculiar
- 5. bellicosity, pacifism, pugnacity, truculence

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

bewitching fraudulent, fake blackmail extortion of money

bluff direct and potentially rude; deceive

bogus causes boredom; make weary

bore attractive

Group 02

brandish speak rapidly and inarticulately

brim shake menacingly bumble outer margin; full bustle noisy, energetic cachet approval; prestige

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But De Sole decided he had little choice but to improve the <u>reputation</u> of his brand names.
- 2. Beijing has criticized the maneuvers and called for more talks with Pyongyang, saying it is better to negotiate than <u>wave</u> weapons.
- 3. In contrast, men tend to use threats, <u>deceive</u>, stake out extreme positions, and use competitive and confrontational tactics.
- 4. Like thousands of previous phishing e-mails, this <u>fake</u> bank notice asks for your personal information.
- 5. When he unravels a narrative about spiritual wars or urban blight, his voice can be frighteningly attractive.

- 1. captivating, entrancing, repugnant, seductive
- 2. brusque, circuitous, curt, unceremonious
- 3. bona fide, forged, phony, sham
- 4. cram, evacuate, load, pack
- 5. babble, enunciate, gibber, sputter

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

calamity standardize

calculated done after reckoning or estimating

calibrate disastrous event canny careful and shrewd canonize admire too much

Group 02

captious stress faults and raise objections

careen small fall of water

carefree porous cascade no worries

cellular lurch or swerve; rush

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Of course, the millennium doesn't really start until 2001, but only <u>nitpicking</u> purists would insist on the textbook definition.
- 2. Her chutzpah and <u>untroubled</u> approach to love made her a heroine to many Japanese women.
- 3. Honoring them delivered a grave insult to the nation, the government fumed, and to <u>idolize</u> them on Oct. 1, the 51st anniversary of the People's Republic, was a further affront.
- 4. What's needed are "grand bargains" in both the U.S. and Europe to stave off potential disaster.
- 5. With Samuel L. Jackson as a(n) <u>acute</u> rare-instrument specialist who has his own plans for the fiddle.

- 1. apocalypse, cataclysm, debacle, felicity
- 2. calculated, deliberate, measured, spontaneous
- 3. astute, savvy, moronic, shrewd
- 4. belittle, canonize, dote, worship
- 5. careworn, debonair, insouciant, slaphappy

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

ceremonious passageway for water; move to a central point

certitude go along with; company

channel feeling certain

chaperone charm

charisma careful attention to set forms

Group 02

cherished loud, inharmonious sound; request chivalrous hymn or psalm; group of singers

chorale group of common interest clamor granted special treatment

clan graciously courteous

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Most critics agreed that it was Mr. Pavarotti's <u>charm</u> that made the collaboration such a success.
- 2. As on every trip we have made, a government <u>attendant</u> stands nearby as the CNN cameraman takes pictures.
- 3. Even Myanmar's military regime has realized that the public <u>voice</u> for effective leadership cannot be silenced.
- 4. The witnesses described their reactions to his gun threats as equal parts terror and astonishment because, the threat came from a man as well-known to them for his <u>graceful</u> kindness as he was for producing stars such as The Beatles and Tina Turner.
- 5. It is wonderful to see all of you on this solemn and special day.

- 1. punctilious, starchy, stilted, unceremonious
- 2. convoy, escort, forsake, squire
- 3. captivation, glamor, repulsion, witchery
- 4. abhorred, abominated, cherished, execrated
- 5. cacophony, serenity, tumult, vociferation

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

cleave work jointly

commiserate with cohesion or coherence

coarse not smooth; rough; lacking refinement

cohesive express sympathy collaborate adhere; divide

Group 02

cling supplying each other's lack

compatible power to persuade

compelling in harmony

complacent with excessive satisfaction complementary adhere; physical sticking

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Despite bandwidth limitations, consumers will seek out streaming content online if it's convincing enough.
- 2. There was a drivenness to them, something that the <u>self-satisfied</u> Americans had initially mistaken for weakness.
- 3. Many parents can <u>sympathize</u> with Gabby and frequently have their own one-way conversations with their children.
- 4. The authority wants academies and schools in the city to <u>cooperate</u> and "share innovation".
- 5. The Afghan National Army has struggled for 10 years to emerge as a <u>unified</u> fighting force.

- 1. adhere, defect, hew, stick
- 2. croaking, gruff, mellifluent, husky
- 3. concur, conspire, league, stonewall
- 4. conclusive, feeble, persuasive, telling
- 5. complementary, incompatible, reciprocal, supplementary

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

complicate composed of matter; in fact

comprehend criticize

concrete dependent on a condition condemn grasp; contain or hold

conditional make complex

Group 02

conflagration turn into a single mass

conflate form a mental picture; entreat earnestly conform destructive fire; armed violent struggle conjure bring into harmony; change to suit

consent approval

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. However, swimming world governing body FINA twice this month affirmed they <u>adapt</u> to regulations.
- 2. These stories are appealing, but they tend to <u>combine</u> rudimentary, utilitarian Globish with English.
- 3. Right-wing groups took to the streets to <u>denounce</u> it as moral travesty and death threats followed.
- 4. Security Council, has said the move could <u>obfuscate</u> the peace process and further destabilize the region.
- 5. They might <u>agree</u> to separate channel apps as long as each still requires an overall subscription.

- 1. complex, entangle, ravel, streamline
- 2. encompass, entail, number, preclude
- 3. concrete, diaphanous, tenuous, vaporous
- 4. conjectural, de facto, platonic, suppositional
- 5. concurrence, proscription, sanction, warrant

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

consign bind or squeeze

consternation consider

constrict look down upon, scorn

contemplate paralyzing dismay contempt transfer control

Group 02

contend assert the contrary

contradict establish mutual relations contrived gather or summon again

convene not spontaneous

correlate strive in contest; state as a fact

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Bryant's attorneys <u>oppose</u> that the woman is mentally unstable and fabricated the charge against him.
- 2. Although the resolution seems a bit <u>unnatural</u>, the emotional core the depth of the familial bond remains powerful.
- 3. But the historically accurate costumes are held against the body with a series of hidden ties that narrow the range of movement.
- 4. The ascendancy of these conservative advocacy tanks has caused <u>anxiety</u> among the older, more established think tanks.
- 5. The entire process of starting this has treated the local communities with complete disrespect.

- 1. apprehension, consternation, fortitude, trepidation
- 2. capsule, constringe, decompress, squeeze
- 3. coaitate, deliberate, ruminate, slight
- 4. capitulate, contend, succumb, surrender
- 5. assemble, muster, squander, summon

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

counterpart worthy of being accepted

counterproductive same function or characteristics

courteous polished, polite

coy not producing desired goal

credible affectedly shy or modest; tending to avoid people

Group 02

credit willing to take risks

crow mental conviction; acknowledgment

damn make wet; diminish, check

dampen feel joy

dashing declare to be morally wrong

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. In New York City, protesters also exercised their rights, but that didn't <u>reduce</u> the festive atmosphere.
- 2. The Taliban hinted at local help, but remained <u>reserved</u> to whether there were inside at the base.
- 3. Wright has a British public-school demeanor, which is generally <u>polite</u> and hearty and seemingly rational.
- 4. The move came as US Defense Secretary Leon Panetta met his South Korean equal in Seoul.
- 5. The U.S. views the Palestinian plan as <u>unhelpful</u> and a potential roadblock to the peace effort.

- 1. hamstrung, expedient, feckless, counterproductive
- 2. couth, insolent, genteel, suave
- 3. bashful, extroverted, recessive, retiring
- 4. exuberate, jubilate, lament, rejoice
- 5. dampen, parch, scorch, sear

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

dated express disapproval

deadlock freedom from worries; polished and worldly manners

debonair lowered moral character; moral decay

decadent out-of-date

decry state of inaction

Group 02

deflect undertake the payment

defray turn aside

deign representative; transfer possession or safekeeping

delegate indicate or represent delineate condescend reluctantly

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The same types of ammunition can be used in deer hunting, prompting opponents of the measure to <u>criticize</u> it as an assault on hunters' rights.
- 2. He accused Pakistan of trying to <u>turn aside</u> attention to its problems by using "Kashmir as a ploy".
- 3. Earle broke the <u>standstill</u> when he gave Wimbledon the lead in the 47th minute.
- 4. What officials failed to accomplish is to enforce stronger sanctions on a more timely basis and more clearly <u>define</u> responsibility for sanctions between the PCAOB and SEC.
- 5. Because he was educated at Oxford, he was extremely <u>elegant</u>, very well read and considered himself an intellectual of the times.

- 1. halt, impasse, deadlock, compromise
- 2. blithe, careworn, debonair, insouciant
- 3. ascetic, hedonist, libertine, sybarite
- 4. acclaim, belittle, deprecate, minimize
- 5. acquire, disburse, garner, secure

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

demote worthy of condemnation

dependable showing no hope

deplorable reduce to lower grades

desperate division into two

dichotomy capable of being depended on

Group 02

dictate of good judgment; restraint; unnoticeable

dike lose spirit or morale discreet free from illusion

disenchant dam; long narrow channel

dishearten command; request

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. This allows the device to remain concealed in a(n) <u>unnoticeable</u> location away from your computers.
- 2. Rooted in the old politics of colonialism, this <u>contradiction</u> effectively deterred democracy in the Arab world.
- 3. We stand in solidarity with the Russian people in our condemnation of these unacceptable terrorist acts.
- 4. But in an age of growing <u>disillusion</u> with politics, the neo-conservatives turned to fear in order to pursue their vision.
- 5. The central government has made affordable housing a "political task" and threatened to <u>downgrade</u> local government officials if they fail to meet the targets.

- 1. advance, demote, elevate, promote
- 2. lousy, meritorious, scurvy, wretched
- 3. despondent, despairing, forlorn, sanguine
- 4. discreet, imprudent, reckless, injudicious
- 5. chill, daunt, hearten, unnerve

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

disjunctive prove to be false overbearing control

distinctive not the same; serving to identify

doctrinaire dogmatic, rigid

domineer with breaks or disunity

Group 02

drab active, energetic dramatic dull and monotonous

dread fear

duplicate make a copy; deceive

dynamic striking

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Pakistan has contributed to the corruption and intimidation in Afghanistan that oppress citizens seeking a better way of life.
- 2. The best are persistent, persuasive, strategic thinkers, <u>active</u>, able to offer compelling arguments to overcome resistance.
- 3. The researchers even created a robotic tongue to better study and <u>copy</u> the feline technique.
- 4. True to form, Stevens dismisses <u>rigid</u> originalism, but says that historical evidence does have its uses.
- 5. The <u>disunited</u> state of Indonesia's politics, even in the midst of the country's worst crisis, could become a national tragedy.

- 1. belie, confound, rebut, validate
- 2. analogous, idiosyncratic, kindred, parallel
- 3. doctrinaire, dogmatic, latitudinarian, rigid
- 4. humdrum, jejune, gripping, pedestrian
- 5. duplication, facsimile, prototype, replica

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

eclectic intense or excessive love efficacious from various sources

elude effective

enamored concerted effort

endeavor avoid adroitly; escape the perception

Group 02

enthrall accompany

equilibrium code of good conduct

erroneous containing error

escort evenness of emotions; opposing forces are equal

ethos hold the attention

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. He remembers visiting Tennessee's Chickamauga battlefield as a 10-year-old boy, attracted by the monuments and their stories.
- 2. The results of a global general <u>balance</u> analysis point to several interesting implications for policy makers.
- 3. The <u>diverse</u> programming is part social experiment, part conceptual art installation and part quixotic entertainment.
- 4. The new variants can <u>avoid</u> anti-virus software designed to block the ILOVEYOU bug and could potentially cause the same damage.
- 5. Jobs is an aesthete who can <u>fascinate</u> Apple fans with lectures about how liberal arts and technology intersect.

- 1. homogeneous, indiscriminate, magpie, motley
- 2. confront, dodge, finesse, weasel
- 3. bewilder, discombobulate, expound, perplex
- 4. bewitched, captivated, insouciant, obsessed
- 5. counterpoise, equilibrium, imbalance, stasis

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

exorcise only in the imagination; in fable

explicate kill off

exterminate give detailed explanation

extrapolate get rid of

fabulous form an opinion through reasoning

Group 02

fad without regard for reason; only in the imagination

fallible showing special favor

fanciful lacking distinguishing characteristics

favoritism fashion featureless erroneous

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. They are, after all, both populated with <u>imperfect</u> human beings who sometimes do their jobs well and often poorly.
- 2. You have to pay a painful short-term decline in business-cycle conditions to be able to get rid of this inflation.
- 3. Unless one finds a point of reference, there are an infinite number of lines along which to <u>refer</u>.
- 4. Troopergate was the one subject about which she seemed keen to <u>explain</u> the details.
- 5. The main purpose of the warring sides was not to subdue the rival group but rather to erase it or banish it.

- 1. ditch, jettison, exorcise, utilize
- 2. construe, elucidate, obscure, unriddle
- 3. annihilate, conserve, decimate, obliterate
- 4. deduce, derive, extrapolate, surmise
- 5. beige, diagnostic, distinguishing, peculiar

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

feisty aggressive

felony contrived, made up

ferocious grave crimes

fervent great intensity of feeling

figment intense; bursts of destructive force

Group 02

fitful show signs fleeting search

forage lasting for a short time

forebode focus, indicate the importance

foreground erratic or intermittent

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Wednesday's confrontation, albeit <u>short-lived</u>, shows how relations between the Koreas have the potential to deteriorate.
- 2. And the state is outlawing people with drug <u>crime</u> convictions from working in the industry.
- 3. It's also that those who challenge the Scottish government are facing some aggressive counter-attacks.
- 4. Some legal experts believe conflicts between the Edison ruling and more recent ones <u>foretell</u> a protracted legal battle.
- 5. Those who support the NPV plan <u>emphasize</u> the current system's alleged propensity to produce "wrong-winner" elections.

- 1. agonistic, gladiatorial, pacific, truculent
- 2. felony, lapse, misdemeanor, peccadillo
- 3. excruciating, ferocious, moderate, vehement
- 4. ardent, impassioned, impassive, incandescent
- 5. accentuate, feature, punctuate, understate

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

forfeit renounce forsake punishment frosty not graceful

gawky low temperature; not friendly or warm

germinate begin to grow; come to being

Group 02

glacial surgically implant glide stare with anger

glower proceed smoothly and continuously graft extremely cold; devoid of warmth endurance of pain or hardship

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Media personalities have ridiculed Suzuki's mask-like looks, plastering themselves with <u>ice-cold</u> face paint on TV.
- 2. The seeds they store need to regularly grow, otherwise they too die.
- 3. It is an achievement built on courage, determination, <u>persistence</u> and great teamwork.
- 4. Tablet PCs aren't exactly the most user friendly devices, they are bulky, uncomfortable, and awkward.
- 5. Because of his decision to leave the firm early he will <u>be punished</u> a significant chunk of those earnings.

- 1. fine, forfeit, mulct, premium
- 2. forsake, maroon, strand, withhold
- 3. clumsy, gawky, nimble, ungainly
- 4. burgeon, flag, germinate, sprout
- 5. glare, gloom, grin, scowl

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

groggy complain

hierarchical harass, disconcert grumble lacking interest starting point

heckle weak and unsteady

Group 02

grudge resentment, ill will

hobble reduce to a lower position

humdrum move with difficulty; hamper the action

humiliate lack of variety or excitement

hypothetical classified

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- Even as he returned last year from a sex scandal, and the occasional fan would should <u>tease</u> him, Woods never had a fan duck under the ropes and approach him.
- 2. The screenplay is a mishmash of unenthusiastic dramatizations of episodes from the legend and equally <u>unenthusiastic</u> nods to contemporary attitudes.
- 3. The information is in part <u>dull</u> and also dramatic, showing in raw detail the intelligence reports sent from personnel in the field.
- 4. That is yet a factual question, for the jury in our imagined lawsuit to resolve.
- 5. And of Japan's neighbors, it is these countries who still hold the strongest complaint against Japan's wartime behavior.

- 1. groggy, rickety, sound, wobbly
- 2. amity, animus, grudge, resentment
- 3. carp, crow, gripe, repine
- 4. heterogeneity, humdrum, monotone, routine
- 5. inference, postulate, premise, supposition

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

idiosyncrasy distinguished impolite

ill-bred impossible to destroy; occurring forever

illustrious not in use; lazy; without work

imperishable odd or peculiar habits

Group 02

implicit obligatory

impostor not explicit, unexpressed; without doubt

impunity incitement

incentive freedom from punishment

incumbent assume false identity

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. No nation, large or small, can violate the rights of its citizens with <u>no</u> punishment.
- 2. Scientology postulates that every person is a Thetan an <u>immortal</u> spiritual being that lives through countless lifetimes.
- 3. The main <u>motivation</u> to come forward now is to avoid jail time or larger penalties later.
- 4. This tongue-drooping, slobbering habit has been Pelfrey's most noticeable peculiarity over the years.
- 5. Go back far enough and Kate, like many of us, has <u>well-known</u> ancestors and collateral relatives.

- 1. conformity, eccentricity, idiosyncrasy, peculiarity
- 2. indolent, industrious, shiftless, slothful
- 3. discourteous, genteel, impertinent, unmannerly
- 4. distinguished, mediocre, prestigious, redoubtable
- 5. exemption, immunity, impunity, liability

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

indecorous prove to be right

Infraction penetrate

justify last; slow movement; lose strength

lag failure to uphold, violate

lance conflicting with accepted standards

Group 02

lax treat as celebrity

license not tense or rigid; careless

lionize emitting light; standing above others

ludicrous deserving derisive laughter

luminous approval; freedom

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Democrats had FDR and later JFK to <u>idolize</u>, but you'd be hard-pressed to find a modern Republican with more continued popularity than The Gipper.
- 2. They contend that the development of a game is a collaborative effort it is <u>impolite</u> to single out any one contributor, to the exclusion of the others.
- 3. That saving would continue to grow indefinitely, as CPI increases will usually stay behind RPI ones.
- 4. Unlike in most ASEAN countries, achieving press <u>freedom</u> is not a problem in Thailand.
- 5. The hunters' assertion that banning hunting is an infringement of civil liberties is ridiculous.

- 1. amiss, decorous, infelicitous, malapropos
- 2. emaciate, languish, rally, wilt
- 3. flabby, flaccid, slackened, taut
- 4. heedful, remiss, vigilant, wary
- 5. custody, latitude, license, liberty

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

lurid vicious, ill-will

machination scheming, crafty action

madcap greatness in significance or size

magnitude causing revulsion malevolent adventure-lover

Group 02

malignant think about beforehand maneuver servant; humble, submissive

marginal overcome, outwit

meditate near a border; not of central importance

menial desire to cause pain

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. For all the local grievances, the movement for outright independence remains weak and negligible.
- 2. After Nicholas disappeared, she had often watched television news programs about <u>shocking</u> child abductions.
- 3. The Industrial Age was largely about making those jobs as <u>low</u> and unskilled as possible.
- 4. Often users click on malicious links posted within a spam message and unwittingly download <u>harmful</u> malware.
- 5. Bradley acknowledged the <u>significance</u> of the job ahead of him, saying he had not slept.

- 1. atrocious, enticing, gruesome, macabre
- 2. audacious, prudent, reckless, temerarious
- 3. benignant, despiteful, spiteful, vicious
- 4. finesse, fumble, maneuver, wangle
- 5. haughty, menial, imperious, supercilious

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

meretricious wrong judgment milieu vulgar; gaudy

military ruler; person of power or influence misapprehension relating to soldiers, arms, or war

monarch physical or social setting

Group 02

monopolize widely known person; ill fame

nirvana provide with food; help the growth

nostalgia homesick

notoriety complete control

nourish being unconscious; state of utter happiness

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. And I have to say it looks good, clean and functional without appearing showy.
- 2. He ridiculed the men's plans and chuckled at the <u>dishonor</u> he has gained for his online rants.
- 3. Craig Sheffer, the bad boy in the bunch, wins the heartiest viewer response by expressing contempt for the American Gothic setting.
- 4. Royalists have argued that democracy creates division, and that a <u>ruler</u> is a strong unifying force.
- 5. The gang also drew up a business plan to <u>dominate</u> the drug trade in the city, which included stockpiling an arsenal of weapons and plotting to kidnap relatives of wayward dealers.

- 1. conservative, gaudy, meretricious, ostentatious
- 2. baron, magnate, tycoon, zero
- 3. dominate, monopolize, reign, share
- 4. awareness, cognizance, consciousness, nirvana
- 5. nostalgia, reminiscence, oblivion, recollection

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

novice stupid person

nullification paying close attention

numb new person oaf doing away

observant devoid of sensation or emotion

Group 02

obsolete appearing to be true

onset attack, assault; beginning

ordeal no longer useful

ostensible result, consequence

outgrowth severe trial

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Water flowing from the Karez began to diminish in 2004 at the <u>beginning</u> of drought.
- 2. The official TAP news agency said people were angry over the <u>invalidation</u> of the six lists of Areedha Chaabiya.
- 3. The so-called "Turkish model", in which an Islamist party heads a(n) <u>seeming</u> democracy, has been posited in recent weeks as a likely outcome in post-authoritarian Arab countries.
- 4. At the Fresno farm, Scott is trying to inculcate pride in his three <u>beginner</u> farmers.
- 5. They are a parody of the minimalist doctrine that all painting had become outdated.

- 1. doyen, maven, novice, veteran
- 2. institution, negation, rescindment, voiding
- 3. catatonic, demonstrative, phlegmatic, stolid
- 4. antiquated, contemporary, fossilized, moth-eaten
- 5. commencement, inception, nascence, omega

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

outmoded agitated; excessively decorated override cover; subject to mental stress overshadow make dark; exceed in importance

overwhelm no longer usable

overwrought set aside

Group 02

palaver remedy for all ills

palpitation of teacher or education panacea expanding and contracting peculiarity exchange of views; talk idly pedagogical distinguishing characteristic

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. When entering the store, helpful signage and displays intrigue instead of destruct your senses.
- 2. In an instant, Beyonce and her soon-to-be child managed to <u>minimize</u> the night's otherwise important events.
- 3. Dern gives a virtuoso performance, albeit in an excited, numbing void.
- 4. The emergency law permitted the government to make preventive arrests and set aside constitutional and penal code statutes.
- 5. There are so many different paths to financial trouble that there is no one cure-all.

- 1. blur, haze, obscure, overshadow
- 2. deluge, drain, inundate, swamp
- 3. austere, baroque, bedizened, ornate
- 4. agitated, composed, frenzied, hectic
- 5. devastate, oppress, relieve, whelm

UNIT 08 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

peel with potential injury

perceptive strip off

perilous given in addition, bonus

perquisite easily irritated

petulant able to sense differences; deep understanding

Group 02

pioneer most important pious hidden danger

pitfall free from storms or agitation pivotal first to settle; coming before

placid devotion to worship; firm in loyalty

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Civilians have also taken to the streets in the usually <u>calm</u> country over rising food and fuel prices.
- 2. Both Hall and Wilson told CNN that travelers should avoid destinations that could be <u>dangerous</u>.
- 3. Mr. Spacey turns Shakespeare's villainous hunchback-king into a monochromatic monster in a leg brace, by turns sarcastic, <u>ill-tempered</u> and supercilious.
- 4. In my opinion it's the price of fuel which is <u>crucial</u> to our deepening economic crisis.
- 5. Moving to high value-added stages in the production process is indeed a key part of the development process, for which one <u>advantage</u> is having the ability to adopt and adapt science and technology.

- 1. delicate, keen, numb, perceptive
- 2. grievous, hazardous, innocuous, jeopardizing
- 3. choleric, irascible, obliging, testy
- 4. constitute, inaugurate, initiate, terminate
- 5. marginal, nugatory, pivotal, trifling

UNIT 09 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

playful notably luxurious plebeian move slowly

plentitude low social or economic rank

plodder joking or teasing plush ample amount

Group 02

poach think about beforehand

pointer scale indicator; suggestion or hint

pragmatic practical

premeditate necessary to an end prerequisite cook in liquid; steal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. The firm moved into a <u>luxurious</u>, marble-floored headquarters near Miami that was all glass and fountains.
- 2. The country will be ready to search for a new cooperative, <u>practical</u> approach to national problems.
- 3. Judging from its first broadcast day, there is no <u>hint</u> it will ever become self-reliant.
- 4. Protestors at Tuesday's demonstration said a reconciliation is a <u>requirement</u> for establishing a Palestinian state.
- 5. Several VC firms had approached him over the past year looking to <u>steal</u> his network and expertise.

- 1. coltish, grave, sober, solemn
- 2. lumpen, patrician, plebian, proletarian
- 3. cornucopia, deficiency, plentitude, plethora
- 4. concentrated, delicate, lusty, robust
- 5. idealistic, pragmatic, utopian, visionary

UNIT 10 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

prerogative declare publicly proclaim original model

project ownership; privately owned

proprietary power or privilege

prototype specific plan; extend outward; predict

Group 02

rampant renewing effect

ravenous leftover

redeem huge appetite

refreshing growing thickly; occurring without restraint

remnant fulfill; make better

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Licences for FOSS are thus designed to prevent or discourage its being turned into registered software.
- 2. Da Vinci's mechanical drawings included <u>model</u> designs for such modern contraptions as helicopters and tanks.
- 3. As nominee, it's Bush's <u>privilege</u>, of course, to shape the convention any way he wants.
- 4. Julia is a woman facing both the long slide into old age and greedy hordes of young actresses yearning to take her place.
- 5. Akko is a favorite part of many visits to the Holy Land, offering a well-preserved relic of crusader and Ottoman eras.

- 1. blare, enunciate, promulgate, suppress
- 2. imitation, prototype, replica, reproduction
- 3. lush, prosperous, sparse, weedy
- 4. edacious, rapacious, sated, voracious
- 5. breach, comply, transgress, violate

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UNIT 01 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

renege copy; do again replenish formally reject

replicate leftover, remaining residual money for some injury

restitution refill

Group 02

resurrect retain knowledge or information

retentive get back again

retrieve fancy but meaningless reverberate continue or be repeated

rhetorical bring back to life

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. One thing is for certain, the ructions of any relegation will <u>resound</u> around the north for some time to come.
- 2. There is also a good wine shop next door to refill your wine cellar.
- 3. However, the right owner could easily <u>revive</u> the moribund franchise and restore it to prominence.
- 4. What is unclear is how much more than <u>verbal</u> support they are prepared to give.
- 5. Once in, China could <u>back down</u> its pledges to open its markets, putting up protectionist barriers.

- 1. abnegate, adhere, forswear, renege
- 2. consume, drain, exhaust, replenish
- 3. integral, leftover, residual, vestigial
- 4. rejuvenate, resuscitate, repeal, revivify
- 5. absentminded, forgetful, oblivious, retentive

UNIT 02 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

rigmarole source of harm ruthless shelter, protect

sacrosanct sacred scourge no pity

screen confused or meaningless talk

Group 02

scrimp adherence to prejudices

scruple avoid waste secede uneasy feeling

sectarianism withdraw from an organization

secular worldly or temporal

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. What the case really shows is that every so often the insider trading laws catch someone who seems to lack any <u>uneasiness</u> about where he got his trading information.
- 2. Nevertheless, the whole <u>explanation</u> around the terms of "sharing" seems more trouble than it's worth.
- 3. There are lives being damaged and lost every day because of this <u>harm</u> of methamphetamine.
- 4. If things go the way they're expected to, the southern part of Sudan could separate and become the world's newest nation.
- 5. Washington is looking everywhere for savings, even to programs once viewed as <u>sacred</u>, including farm programs and defense spending.

- 1. babble, epigram, gibber, rigmarole
- 2. ironfisted, mortal, remorseless, tender
- 3. blasphemous, profane, sacrosanct, sacrilegious
- 4. conviction, compunction, misgiving, scruple
- 5. dogmatism, liberalism, partisanship, sectarianism

UNIT 03 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

sequel change position; exchange shift comparing two unlike things

shifty deceitful; changeable

simile easily frightened or excited; likely to change

skittish result

Group 02

sparing balance

splinter careful restraint; less plentiful

splutter nauseated

squeamish sharp, slender piece

stasis speak hastily

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Retailers and other companies don't want to risk losing <u>economical</u> shoppers by raising prices.
- 2. In the developed world, one out of 4, 300 women will die as a <u>consequence</u> of pregnancy.
- 3. For many years, the abortion debate in the US has remained in a kind of balance.
- 4. The yurt also includes under-floor heating to protect against England's notoriously <u>changeable</u> weather.
- 5. The claim that Obamacare was budget-neutral was critical to winning the approval of cautious moderate Democrats.

- 1. antecedent, consequence, product, sequence
- 2. anchor, budge, relocate, transpose
- 3. aboveboard, crooked, guileful, rogue
- 4. fluttery, imperturbable, jittery, spasmodic
- 5. prodigal, provident, spendthrift, squandering

UNIT 04 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

staunch yield

surmount take the place of stigmatize steadfast in loyalty

substitute disgrace

succumb achieve victory

Group 02

supersede conventional, oversimplified opinion become better; beyond the limit

surmise churlish

stereotype idea based on scanty evidence; infer

surpass take the place of

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Separate facilities would in our view <u>defame</u> gay and lesbian Service members in a manner reminiscent of 'separate but equal' facilities for blacks prior to the 1960's.
- 2. Lonergan remains faithful to his perceptive remit and does not give in to an earth-shattering conclusion.
- 3. If there was a completely unlimited resource then we may have been able to <u>defeat</u> the technical problems at Longannet.
- 4. Simon Jenkins in The Guardian said closer European Union was an attempt by a supranational economic authority to <u>replace</u> national democracy.
- 5. GE's industrial customers, who have long thought it a <u>loyal</u> ally against environmental campaigners.

- 1. pious, perfidious, recreant, treacherous
- 2. aggrandize, canonize, deify, smirch
- 3. demise, endure, expire, perish
- 4. conquer, fiasco, overbear, subdue
- 5. acid, amiable, cantankerous, dyspeptic

UNIT 05 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

surrogate close observation surveillance great numbers tame perplex; enmesh tangle take the place of teeming close observation great numbers perplex; enmesh take the place of tractable, not wild

Group 02

temporal without delay

tentative unaffected, impervious to criticism thick-skinned pleasurably intense stimulation

thrill of earthly life

timely not fully developed

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. But investors began fleeing gold two years before inflation became fully controllable and the economy had recovered.
- 2. Yet promoting human rights in impervious countries is not a hopeless cause.
- 3. Observers said it was only a <u>temporary</u> step towards giving some political power to the country's citizens.
- 4. The invention is about using the mouse as a kind of substitute pen.
- 5. The locale is an ideal listening post for someone whose expertise is unravelling the <u>mass</u> of international terror.

- 1. domestic, disciplined, savage, tamed
- 2. bridle, curb, rein, unleash
- 3. bewilderment, conviction, perplexity, whirl
- 4. carnal, secular, religious, terrestrial
- 5. galvanize, jade, pall, weary

UNIT 06 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

topsy-turvy person of power or influence umbrage oppressive or brutal ruler trifling lacking in significance

tycoon lacking in order

tyrant feeling of being offended

Group 02

trifle without any interruptions unanimous producing no results

unavailing things of little importance

unremitting having information

versed agreed by all

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Experienced management is even harder to come by, especially those skilled in both Chinese and alobal markets.
- 2. The cabinet draft makes clear that future bailouts need the <u>common</u> approval of all euro-zone members.
- 3. It's feel-good music for people who don't dwell on <u>insignificant</u> details like words.
- 4. But his provisional ranking at the beginning of 2001 had dropped down from third to fourth following a <u>disordered</u> season.
- 5. Through <u>continuous</u> efforts, the latest stress test results show that China's banking industry is in general control of real-estate risk.

- 1. bandbox, disheveled, rumpled, sloppy
- 2. bagatelle, liability, frippery, triviality
- 3. dudgeon, gratification, peeve, umbrage
- 4. consentaneous, divergent, unanimous, uncontested
- 5. abortive, bootless, potent, vain

UNIT 07 INSTANT REVIEW

I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

Group 01

vile unpleasant; morally despicable vocation observing unsuspecting individuals vouchsafe not present or up to standards

voyeur grant, furnish wanting employment

Group 02

wayward become flaccid; fatigue or exhausted

weather come through safely

wrest following one's own inclinations willy-nilly wring or twist; gain with difficulty

wilt without order

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. It was not sufficient, he thought, for government to protect our rights if it was to promise our pursuit of happiness.
- 2. Nitrous oxide is a particularly <u>awful</u> greenhouse gas and one of the unfortunate consequences of processing sewage.
- 3. But other <u>uncontrollable</u> cells come back to reseed the original tumor, making it grow faster.
- 4. Treasury put out a statement today talking about <u>insufficient</u> limits for banks on proprietary trading.
- 5. Michelle Rhee, you can't get rid of these people, you can't just fire them randomly if you don't have the right results.

- 1. comely, grotesque, ravishing, seemly
- 2. execrable, sordid, venerable, wretched
- 3. accord, recant, vest, vouchsafe
- 4. balky, docile, obstreperous, recalcitrant
- 5. decease, perish, succumb, weather

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I. Match the explanations on the right to the correct word on the left

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wily self-willed; intentional

wiretap stubborn

wistful secretly get information willful indirect and deceptive wrongheaded desire with melancholy

II. Replace the underlined word with another word you have just learned

- 1. Theresa May said the Tories would have safeguards to prevent <u>sly</u> middle-class parents from abusing the system.
- 2. Lying under oath about trivial or inconsequential matters, even if <u>intentional</u>, is not a crime.
- 3. Though as passionate as the band's earlier work, Challengers feels slightly more sad and melancholic.

- 1. cagey, guileful, ingenuous, slick
- 2. nostalgic, perfunctory, reminiscent, yearning
- 3. obdurate, pertinacious, pliable, willful