

# Vocabulary Word Exercises

Please select four vocabulary words from the available list and undertake one of the following options for each of the words. Staple your four words/pages together and submit them (turn them in) on or before the due date outlined in your checklist.

## **Anatomy of a Vocabulary Word:**

Based on a vocabulary word's meaning, create a character that represents the word, and then label the features of the character. To earn full points:

- The word must be used correctly in one of the labels.
- There needs to be five or more labels applied to the character.
- The labels must contain interesting words and thoughtful descriptions.
- No spelling or punctuation errors.
- The definition and part of speech must be included.

## **Super Hero Vocabulary Word:**

Based on a vocabulary word's meaning, create a superhero or super-villain inspired by the word. Then create that super-character's nemesis. To earn full points:

- The superhero's description must be two or three sentences.
- The super-villain's description must be two or three sentences.
- The personification must somehow embody the word that inspired super-character, and his nemesis should embody the word's antonym.
- No spelling or punctuation errors.
- The definition and part of speech must be included.

## **Word Art Vocabulary Activity:**

Based on a vocabulary word's meaning, create a visual display where the word's letters represent ideas and connections they've made. To earn full points:

- The word art must contain four obvious connections to the word's meaning.
- The writer must include an explanation of each of the connections below the word art.
- The visual elements must be thoughtful and creative.
- No spelling or punctuation errors.
- The definition and part of speech must be included.

## **Fake Horror Movie Poster:**

Based on a vocabulary word's meaning, create a poster for an imaginary horror movie whose title either contains the word or whose "tag line" contains the word. To earn full points:

- The word must be used correctly in the title or the tag line.
- The tag line must be catchy and creative, like a real movie's tag line.
- The illustration must show knowledge of the word.
- No spelling or punctuation errors.
- The definition and part of speech must be included.

**Phone App Vocabulary Word:**

Based on a vocabulary word's meaning, create a phone application that is either called the word or whose description contains the word. To earn full points:

- App description must be four or more sentences and show knowledge of word.
- App must have a logo that shows understanding of the word.
- A review of the app must be included.
- No spelling or punctuation errors.
- The definition and part of speech must be included.

| Word                 | Definition   | Page Number |
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| Intercepts           | obstruct (someone or something) so as to prevent them from continuing to a destination   | Page 167    |
| Contagious           | (of a disease) spread from one person or organism to another by direct or indirect contact   | Page 168    |
| Paradigm             | a typical example or pattern of something; a model   | Page 168    |
| Incredulous          | (of a person or their manner) unwilling or unable to believe something   | Page 169    |
| Telepathy            | the supposed communication of thoughts or ideas by means other than the known senses.  | Page 170    |
| Mantra               | a word or sound repeated to aid concentration in meditation.   | Page 170    |
| Maneuver             | a movement or series of moves requiring skill and care   | Page 171    |
| Pogoing (Pogo stick) | a toy for jumping around on, consisting of a long, spring-loaded pole with a handle at the top and rests for a person's feet near the bottom.  | Page 172    |
| Tardy                | delaying or delayed beyond the right or expected time; late. Slow in action or response; sluggish.   | Page 175    |
| Conspiratorially     | a person who takes part in a conspiracy (conspiracy means: a secret plan by a group to do something unlawful or harmful)   | Page 177    |
| Miscellaneous        | (of items or people gathered or considered together) of various types or from different sources  | Page 178    |
| Tutus                | a female ballet dancer's costume consisting of a bodice and an attached skirt incorporating numerous layers of fabric, this being either short and stiff and projecting horizontally from the waist (the classical tutu) or long, soft, and bell-shaped (the romantic tutu). | Page 178    |

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| Gait          | a person's manner of walking  | Page 185 |
| Fatigue       | extreme tiredness, typically resulting from mental or physical exertion or illness  | Page 187 |
| Elation       | great happiness and exhilaration  | Page 187 |
| Incoherent    | (of spoken or written language) expressed in an incomprehensible or confusing way;  | Page 201 |
| Blithely      | showing a casual and cheerful indifference considered to be callous or improper   | Page 201 |
| Abyss         | a deep or seemingly bottomless chasm (Chasm is a deep fissure in the earth, rock, or another surface).  | Page 202 |
| Dorsiflexion  | bend (something, typically the hand or foot) dorsally or toward its upper surface   | Page 205 |
| Plantar       | of or relating to the sole of the foot.   | Page 205 |
| Flexion       | the action of bending or the condition of being bent, esp. the bending of a limb or joint   | Page 205 |
| Philosophical | having or showing a calm attitude toward disappointments or difficulties  | Page 214 |
| Amped         | full of nervous energy  | Page 214 |
| Coiled        | a length of something wound or arranged in a spiral or sequence of rings  | Page 214 |
| Ominous       | giving the impression that something bad or unpleasant is going to happen; threatening; inauspicious  | Page 216 |
| Lackluster    | lacking in vitality, force, or conviction; uninspired or uninspiring, for example: <i>no excuses were made for the team's lackluster performance.</i> | Page 217 |