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Vocabulary Group 7

INDUCE (*verb*) to move or lead by influence or persuasion; to cause

PATHOS (*noun*) a quality that arouses sorrow or pity; a feeling of sympathy

FELICITOUS (*adjective*) appropriate for the occasion; marked by happiness or good fortune

PRODIGY (*noun*) an extremely talented child; something wonderful or marvelous

ANOMALOUS (*adjective*) not normal; inconsistent

DIFFIDENCE (*noun*) the quality of being hesitant or shy; the opposite of confidence

SANGUINE (*adjective*) optimistic; cheerful; hopeful

ANECDOTE (*noun*) a short account of a humorous or interesting incident

SPECIOUS (*adjective*) deceptively attractive; pleasing to the eye but misleading

PERUSE (*verb*) to read or study carefully; to examine in detail

Vocabulary Group 8

DESTITUTE (*adjective*) very poor; deficient

AUGMENT (*verb*) to increase; to make bigger

REBUKE (*verb*) to criticize sharply

IMPUNITY (*noun*) freedom from punishment

PERNICIOUS (*adjective*) deadly; extremely evil

ODIOUS (*adjective*) highly offensive; hateful

PALPABLE (*adjective*) capable of being touched; obvious

CANDOR (*noun*) truthfulness; sincere honesty

VINDICATE (*verb*) to clear from suspicion or blame

MYRIAD (*adjective*) countless (*noun*) a huge number

Vocabulary Group 9

ALLUDE (*verb*) to refer in an indirect or casual way

PROFLIGATE (*adjective*) shameless and immoral; extremely wasteful

CREDITABLE (*adjective*) worthy of credit or praise

CHASTISEMENT (*noun*) a severe criticism; a sharp reprimand

SALUTARY (*adjective*) healthful; beneficial; promoting some good purpose

VERACITY (*noun*) truthfulness; accuracy

INEFFABLE (*adjective*) incapable of being described; too overwhelming to be spoken

OBDURATE (*adjective*) unsympathetic and hardhearted; stubborn and insensitive

IMMUTABLE (*adjective*) unchangeable

EXCULPATE (*verb*) to clear from an accusation; to free from blame; to prove not guilty