

Vocabulary Unit 7

Unit 7, 1-5

1. Amiss : (adj.) faulty, imperfect, not as it should be; (adv.) in a mistaken or improper way, wrongly
 - Under the circumstances it would not be _____ to offer our congratulations.
2. Brawl: (n.) a noisy quarrel or fight; (v.) to quarrel or fight noisily.
 - The noise coming from the classroom sounded more like a _____ than a debate.

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3. **Detest:** (v.) to hate, dislike very much, loathe
 - Children who dislike green vegetables often spinach
4. **Domestic:** (adj.) native to a country, not foreign; relating to the life or affairs of a household; (n.) a household servant.
 - The newspaper is filled with information about our country's _____ affairs.
5. **Flagrant:** (adj.) extremely bad, glaring; scandalous, notorious
 - Crossing against the light shows a _____ disregard for the law.

Unit 7

6-10

6. **Flaw: (n.) a slight fault, defect, crack**
 - We noticed a _____ in the plan to start building the house before the spring rains.
7. **Fledgling: (n.) an inexperienced person, beginner; a young bird about to leave the nest; (adj.) inexperienced, budding**
 - We placed the _____ back in its nest.
 - A _____ police officer appeared on the scene and wisely called for assistance.
8. **Fluster: (v.) to make or become confused, agitated or nervous; (n.) a state of confusion or agitation.**
 - During the trial, the judge told the attorney not to the witness

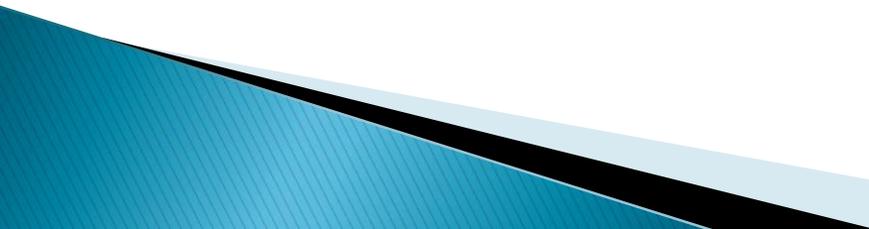
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9. Foremost: (adj.) chief, most important, primary; (adv.) in the first place
 - Music is _____ among my interests.
 - First and _____, you must call home to let your family know you'll be late.
10. Momentum: (n.) the force or speed with which something moves
 - The presidential campaign gained _____ once the first primary was over.

Unit 7

11-15

11. Notable: (adj.) striking, remarkable; (n.) a person who is well known, distinguished, or outstanding in some way
- Being chosen for the team was a _____ event in our lives.
12. Nurture: (v.) to bring up, care for, train, nourish; (n.) rearing, training, upbringing
- It is wonderful to watch chimpanzees _____ their young.
 - The _____ they received as children served them well as they grew into adulthood.
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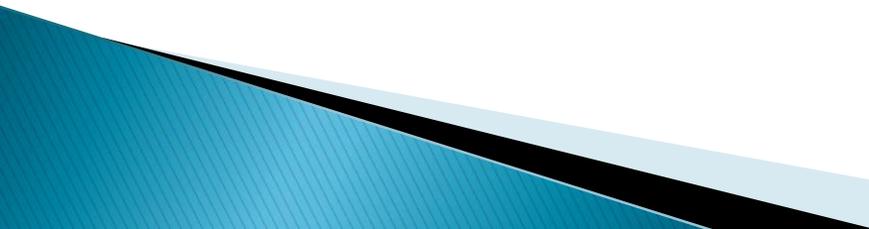
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13. Paradox: (n.) a self-contradictory statement that on closer examination proves true; a person or thing with seemingly contradictory qualities
- It is a _____ to say that youth is wasted on the young.
14. Perjury: (n.) the act of swearing to a lie
- The witness was convicted of _____ and was sentenced to two years in prison.
15. Presume: (v.) to take for granted, assume or suppose; to dare, take upon oneself, take liberties
- The counselors _____ that the job they had last summer will be theirs this summer as well.

Unit 7

16-20

16. Prior: (adj.) earlier, former
- Unfortunately, the governor had a _____ appointment and could not meet with the class.
17. Proficient: (adj.) skilled, expert or capable in any field or activity
- Dad knows his way around the kitchen and is quite a _____ cook.
18. Salvo: (n.) a burst of gunfire or cannon shot, often as a tribute or salute; a sudden burst of anything; a spirited verbal attack
- The audience erupted in a _____ of laughter.
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16–20, continued

19. **Vigilant:** (adj.) wide-awake, alert, watchful.
- The _____ guards paced back and forth in front of the barracks.
20. **Wrath:** (n.) intense anger
- In Greek and Roman myths characters fear the _____ of the gods.
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