

Chapter 1 Word List

Word List

- abominable** (*adjective*) 1. offensive;
2. unpleasant
- angle** (*noun*) the space between two surfaces or lines that meet;
(*verb*) to bend at an angle
- athlete** (*noun*) a person trained or skilled in a sport
- calorie** (*noun*) a unit used to measure the energy supplied by food
- congregate** (*verb*) to group together into a crowd
- denounce** (*verb*) to strongly speak out against someone or something
- disbelief** (*noun*) reluctance or refusal to believe
- elusive** (*adjective*) difficult to describe or understand
- explosion** (*noun*) 1. a loud blast; 2. a blowing up
- feud** (*noun*) 1. an extended and bitter quarrel between families; 2. an extreme hatred between people or groups;
(*verb*) to carry on a violent quarrel over an extended period of time
- granite** (*noun*) a light-colored, hard rock, usually pink or gray
- illicit** (*adjective*) 1. unauthorized; 2. unlawful; illegal
- judicious** (*adjective*) 1. sensible; 2. wise;
3. having or using good judgment
- mischievous** (*adjective*) 1. causing mischief; naughty; 2. harmful; 3. prankish
- parody** (*noun*) a comical interpretation of a musical or literary work

- pupil** (*noun*) the area that is black in the center of the eye
- reveal** (*verb*) 1. to make known; 2. to disclose;
3. to publicize or broadcast
- slogan** (*noun*) an attention-getting word or phrase used by a business, political party, or group
- tendon** (*noun*) a strong band of tissue in the body that joins muscle to bone
- vibrate** (*verb*) to move quickly back and forth

Additional Words

Challenge Words

- adjacent** (*adjective*) 1. having a common border; 2. directly preceding or following
- customary** (*adjective*) commonly practiced or used
- fickle** (*adjective*) 1. easily gives in to change;
2. lacks consistency
- legacy** (*noun*) something received from an ancestor
- proficient** (*adjective*) having competence and skill in a specific area

Word Study: Suffixes

The suffix *-ful* means "full of."

- careful** (*adjective*) full of care or concern
- graceful** (*adjective*) having grace
- peaceful** (*adjective*) full of peace; quiet
- powerful** (*adjective*) full of power
- successful** (*adjective*) having success
- thoughtful** (*adjective*) full of thought; thinking