

Vocabulary Unit Seven

1. Allay (v.) to calm or pacify; set to rest; to lessen or relieve
2. Bestial (adj.) beastlike; beastly, brutal; subhuman in intelligence and sensibility
3. Convivial (adj.) festive, sociable, having fun together, genial
4. Coterie (n.) a circle of acquaintances; a close-knit, often exclusive, group of people with a common interest
5. Counterpart (n.) a person or thing closely resembling or corresponding to another; a complement
6. Demur (v.) to object to take exception to; (n.) an objection
7. Effrontery (n.) shameless boldness, impudence
8. Embellish (v.) to decorate, adorn, touch up; to improve by adding details
9. Ephemeral (adj.) lasting only a short time, short-lived
10. Felicitous (adj.) appropriate, apt, well chosen; marked by well-being or good fortune, happy
11. Furtive (adj.) done slyly or stealthily, sneaky, secret, shifty; stolen
12. Garish (adj.) glaring; tastelessly showy or over decorated in a vulgar or offensive way
13. Illusory (adj.) misleading, deceptive; lacking in or not based in reality
14. Indigent (adj.) needy, impoverished
15. Inordinate (adj.) far too great, exceeding reasonable limits, excessive
16. Jettison (v.) to cast overboard, get rid of as unnecessary or burdensome
17. Misanthrope (n.) a person who hates or despises people
18. Pertinacious (adj.) very persistent; holding firmly to a course of action or a set of beliefs; hard to get rid of, refusing to be put off or denied
19. Picayune (adj.) of little value or importance, paltry, measly; concerned with trifling matters, small-minded
20. Raiment (n.) clothing, garments