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# Vocabulary SAT

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**Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List****Grade PSAT**

<b>Group 1</b>	<b>LACK</b>	<b>Group 2</b>	<b>KNOWLEDGE</b>	<b>Group 3</b>	<b>FOCUS</b>	<b>Group 4</b>	<b>GROUP</b>
1	annulment	31	astute	61	advert	91	aggregate
2	asymmetrical	32	clarify	62	aside	92	array
3	bare	33	construe	63	concerted	93	cloister
4	barren	34	covert	64	consummation	94	cohesion
5	devoid	35	credential	65	engross	95	conjugate
6	disfranchise	36	credulous	66	enthrall	96	consist
7	dry	37	deem	67	entrance	97	convene
8	erratic	38	deft	68	envision	98	enclave
9	imbecility	39	devise	69	excerpted	99	heterogeneous
10	impotence	40	elucidate	70	facet	100	homogeneous
11	imprudent	41	inquiry	71	fetish	101	juxtaposition
12	inadvertent	42	keen	72	rapt	102	pervasive
13	stark	43	lucid	73	due	103	altercation
14	unwitting	44	prudence	74	ensure	104	balk
15	want	45	sagacious	75	entitled	105	contend
16	weary	46	attain	76	evident	106	counter
17	austere	47	beget	77	inalienable	107	counteract
18	brink	48	calibrate	78	incontestable	108	counterargument
19	conspicuous	49	conjure	79	incontrovertible	109	countervailing
20	dim	50	engender	80	inexorable	110	defy
21	duality	51	ensue	81	tentative	111	embroiled
22	eccentric	52	entail	82	verisimilitude	112	inconsonant
23	facile	53	imitate	83	veritable	113	cavalier
24	fashion	54	satiate	84	acquiesce	114	demeanor
25	fastidious	55	secrete	85	adhere	115	demure
26	gleam	56	denomination	86	communion	116	egocentric
27	malleable	57	divestiture	87	conformity	117	impetuous
28	nominal	58	fiscal	88	conservator	118	punctilious
29	pristine	59	invest	89	conventional	119	servile
30	subtle	60	lucrative	90	parity	120	subservient

**The Basics:**

- 300 words
- 10 groups
- About 30 words per group
- Grouped thematically

PSAT Knowsys Vocabulary Card List

FRONT

BACK

**annulment**  
ə nəl' mənt  
*noun*

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*negative* **LACK**  
**to make something legally void or invalid**

In the annulment of the football team's wins for the 1997-1999 seasons eliminated the team's best seasons.

Memory Box

*annul*

**barren**  
ber' ən OR ba' rən  
*adj*

PSAT Card 4 Group 1  
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*negative* **1) lacking,**

In the barren landscape...

Memory Box

**Flashcards Include:**

- The Term
- The Pronunciation
- The Category
- The Part of Speech
- The Definition (simplified and easy to memorize)
- A Contextual Sentence
- Related Terms
- The Knowsys Memory Box

**asymmetrical**  
ā sə me' tri kəl  
*adj*

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*negative* **LACK**  
**lacking symmetry (symmetry = balance on all sides)**

The modern sculpture was a masterpiece of large cubes positioned asymmetrically with no center or focal point.

Memory Box

*asymmetry, asymmetric*

**completely**

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*negative* **completely**

The barren landscape was completely devoid of plants and animals.

Memory Box

**bare**  
ber  
*adj/verb*

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*negative* **LACK**  
**1) A: lacking covering, 2) A: mere, or 3) V: to uncover**

Her room was pretty bare; it had only a bed and a desk.

Memory Box

**disfranchise**  
dis fran' chīz  
*verb*

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*negative* **LACK**  
**to deprive of a right, privilege, or immunity, especially the right to vote**

Some countries disfranchise the poor by making property ownership a prerequisite for voting.

Memory Box

*disenfranchised*

# Activities & Timing Summary

Activity Type		Time Per Question	Time Per Activity
Definitional Activities	Antonym ID	20 seconds	Students: 3 min 20 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Crossword Puzzles	10 seconds	Students: 1 min 40 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Matching	10 seconds	Students: 1 min 40 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Oddball ID	10 seconds	Students: 1 min 40 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Synonym ID	15 seconds	Students: 2 min 30 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Synonym Matching	15 seconds	Students: 2 min 30 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
Contextual Activities	Cumulative Assessment = Six Weeks Exam	20 seconds	Students: 18 minutes Review: 30 - 35 minutes
	Fill in the Blanks	15 seconds	Students: 2 min 30 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Media Mentions	7 - 10 minutes total	7 - 10 minutes total
	Name the Speaker	10 seconds	Students: 1 min 40 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Narrative (Cloze)	8 - 10 minutes total	8 - 10 minutes total
	Sentence Completion	20 seconds	Students: 3 min 20 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Short Answer	1 - 2 minutes	Students: 10 - 20 minutes Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	Six Weeks Exam = Cumulative Assessment	20 seconds	Students: 18 minutes Review: 30 - 35 minutes
	Synonym Substitution	15 seconds	Students: 2 min 30 sec Discuss: 5 - 7 minutes
	True or False	10 seconds	
	Vocab Scenarios	15 seconds	
	Word Roots	7 - 10 minutes total	
	Writing Prompts	30 minutes	

### Great Bell-Ringers!

- 5-10 minutes/day
- Timed activities
- Mix of Definitional and Contextual
- Makes differentiation easy

**Teacher Vocab Website**  
**[www.MyKnowsysOnline.com](http://www.MyKnowsysOnline.com)**

## **General Information**

Pronunciation Guide  
Timing Chart for Vocab Activities  
Vocab Handout for Parents & Students  
Vocab Handout for Parents & Students-Spanish  
Weekly Schedule of Activities  
Sample Pre-Test and Post-Test Report  
College Board SAT Question of the Day

## **Word Lists**

Group List  
Knowsys Dictionary  
PDFs of Flashcards  
Word Wall PDFs

## **Word Root, Prefix, and Suffix Activities**

“Fic” - Groups 8, 11, 16, 19  
“Spec” - Group 15  
“Super” - Group 17  
“Path” - Group 21  
“Prehend” - Group 21  
“Vol” - Group 21  
“Fer” - Group 22  
“Sens, Sent” - Groups 24, 27  
“Cred” - Group 30

## **Cumulative Exams (Time: 20 minutes each)**

1st Six Weeks Exam  
2nd Six Weeks Exam  
3rd Six Weeks Exam

## **Teacher Resources:**

- All activities are online
- Activities are PDFs
- Teachers print or project each activity
- Each of the 30 groups has 8-12 activities
- Teachers select each week’s activities

## **Web Resources Include:**

- Word lists
- Six Weeks Exams
- Pre- and post-tests
- Group activities

## Group 3 Exercises and Assessments

### Definitional Activities

- Antonym and Synonym Identification
- Crossword Puzzle
- Matching

### Contextual Activities

- Media Mentions
- Narrative
- Scenarios
- Sentence Completion Quiz
- Short Answers
- True or False
- Writing Prompt

## Group 4 Exercises and Assessments

### Definitional Activities

- Antonym and Synonym Identification
- Crossword Puzzle
- Matching

### Contextual Activities

- Fill in the Blank
- Media Mentions
- Narrative
- Scenarios
- Sentence Completion Quiz
- Short Answers
- Writing Prompt

**Each Group Includes these 8 activities:**

### Definitional Activities:

- Matching
- Crossword

### Contextual Activities:

- Media Mentions
- Narrative
- Scenarios
- Sentence Completion Quiz
- Short Answers
- Writing Prompt

### Plus...

- At least 2 additional activities

## Matching

Match the term in the Word Bank to the best definition below.

- |                 |                 |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| A. ignominy     | I. obtrusive    |
| B. obeisance    | J. querulous    |
| C. affront      | K. blandishment |
| D. cantankerous | L. cajole       |
| E. curmudgeon   | M. emulate      |
| F. dour         | N. servile      |
| G. fractious    | O. sycophant    |
| H. insolent     |                 |

- \_\_\_ 1. submissive or menial
- \_\_\_ 2. boldly rude or disrespectful
- \_\_\_ 3. an excessive self-seeking flatterer
- \_\_\_ 4. irritable and complaining
- \_\_\_ 5. cranky
- \_\_\_ 6. flattery
- \_\_\_ 7. unruly and irritable
- \_\_\_ 8. to insult or offend
- \_\_\_ 9. 1) honor or respect or 2) a bow
- \_\_\_ 10. to persuade by flattery or promises
- \_\_\_ 11. disgrace
- \_\_\_ 12. meddling
- \_\_\_ 13. 1) to imitate or 2) to strive to equal or surpass
- \_\_\_ 14. gloomy and harsh
- \_\_\_ 15. a grumpy, rude person

## Matching:

- Tests memorization

## Notice the ID:

- Objective activities have 7 versions (See "ID: A")

**Synonym Identification**

*Identify the two choices that are closest in meaning to the question word.*

- 
1. feign
    - A. pacify
    - B. pretend
    - C. appease
    - D. fabricate
  2. tenacious
    - A. persistent
    - B. truculent
    - C. fractious
    - D. obstinate
  3. inexorable
    - A. unyielding
    - B. relentless
    - C. pugnacious
    - D. combative
  4. lithe
    - A. luxuriant
    - B. limber
    - C. agile
    - D. verdant
  5. pretentious
    - A. affected
    - B. specious
    - C. ostentatious
    - D. spurious
  6. docile
    - A. contentious
    - B. touchy
    - C. compliant
    - D. tractable
  7. malleable
    - A. pompous
    - B. flexible
    - C. bombastic
    - D. acquiescent
  8. haughty
    - A. arrogant
    - B. conceited
    - C. incontrovertible
    - D. irrefutable
  9. narcissistic
    - A. egotistical
    - B. self-indulgent
    - C. decadent
    - D. vain
  10. chauvinism
    - A. prejudice
    - B. bigotry
    - C. pretentiousness
    - D. hauteur


**Synonym Identification:**

- Builds vocab through association
- Answers include words from earlier groups



## Antonym Identification

Identify the choice that best represents the antonym (opposite) of the question word.

- 
1. aggrandize
    - A. amplify
    - B. belittle
    - C. confirm
    - D. deny
  2. colossal
    - A. diminutive
    - B. gigantic
    - C. true
    - D. unclear
  3. grandiose
    - A. vast
    - B. ambitious
    - C. minute
    - D. heavy
  4. aver
    - A. declare
    - B. deny
    - C. augment
    - D. trick
  5. ponderous
    - A. thoughtless
    - B. lifeless
    - C. dull
    - D. light
  6. fealty
    - A. insanity
    - B. proof
    - C. greatness
    - D. disloyalty
  7. corroborate
    - A. contradict
    - B. isolate
    - C. confirm
    - D. benefit
  8. veracity
    - A. weakness
    - B. modesty
    - C. deception
    - D. accuracy
  9. fidelity
    - A. dependability
    - B. betrayal
    - C. frequency
    - D. transparency
  10. sagacious
    - A. profound
    - B. ignorant
    - C. erudite
    - D. dissolute

### Antonym Identification:

- Builds vocab through disassociation
- Answers include words from earlier groups

**Oddball Identification**

*Identify the choice that does not fit with the others in the question.*

1. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. aphorism
  - B. quip
  - C. adage
  - D. proverb
  - E. maxim
2. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. cogent
  - B. convincing
  - C. colloquial
  - D. authoritative
  - E. influential
3. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. rabble-rouser
  - B. troublemaker
  - C. elocutionist
  - D. demagogue
  - E. agitator
4. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. glib
  - B. slick
  - C. insincere
  - D. flatulent
  - E. superficial
5. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. regale
  - B. persuade
  - C. advise
  - D. exhort
  - E. urge
6. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. flatulent
  - B. pompous
  - C. long-winded
  - D. bombastic
  - E. ineffable
7. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. incantation
  - B. chant
  - C. conjuration
  - D. spell
  - E. promulgation
8. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. regale
  - B. opine
  - C. reckon
  - D. conjecture
  - E. deem
9. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. profound
  - B. prudent
  - C. sagacious
  - D. virtuous
  - E. precocious
10. Identify the oddball term.
  - A. wisecrack
  - B. quip
  - C. witticism
  - D. jest
  - E. exhortation

**Oddball Identification:**

- Builds vocab through association and disassociation
- Answers include words from earlier groups

## Synonym Matching

Identify the choice that best matches the terms in each question below.

- |                 |               |
|-----------------|---------------|
| A. contentious  | F. truculent  |
| B. veracity     | G. bellicose  |
| C. cataclysmic  | H. livid      |
| D. inflammatory | I. antagonism |
| E. acrimony     | J. turbulent  |

- \_\_\_ 1. argumentative; quarrelsome; debatable; litigious
- \_\_\_ 2. calamitous; disastrous; dreadful
- \_\_\_ 3. warlike; hostile; militant
- \_\_\_ 4. animosity; ill will; rivalry; aggression; enmity
- \_\_\_ 5. bitterness; harshness; virulence; rancor
- \_\_\_ 6. angry; enraged; infuriated; furious
- \_\_\_ 7. upset; disordered; tempestuous; tumultuous; chaotic
- \_\_\_ 8. fierce; aggressive; ferocious; hostile; defiant
- \_\_\_ 9. fiery; incendiary; explosive; provocative; inciting
- \_\_\_ 10. reality; authenticity; sincerity; truth

### Synonym Matching:

- Builds vocab through association
- Students should add these synonyms to their cards
- All activities are cumulative

**Substitution Activity**

Identify the choice that most closely matches the italicized word or phrase below.

- |                  |                |
|------------------|----------------|
| A. ardor         | F. unflappable |
| B. consternation | G. aloof       |
| C. sang-froid    | H. apathetic   |
| D. pathos        | I. trepidation |
| E. dissolute     | J. stoic       |

- \_\_\_ 1. The student was so *lacking in concern and interest* that he did not care whether his grade point average dropped dangerously low.
- \_\_\_ 2. It is fortunate that you are blessed with *self-possession, especially under strain*, during stressful situations.
- \_\_\_ 3. Even when charged with the heinous crime, the alleged criminal remained *cool, calm, and collected*.
- \_\_\_ 4. With a growing sense of *dismay*, I realized I had left my passport at home.
- \_\_\_ 5. Although I was well-armored and trained, I approached my first battle with *fear*.
- \_\_\_ 6. His behavior was so *lacking in restraint* that he was a bad influence on everyone he knew.
- \_\_\_ 7. Xavier showed no more emotion at the funeral than he usually does; he is truly *without passion or feeling*.
- \_\_\_ 8. Even though Kelly was urged with impassioned pleas to join the group, she remained *cool and detached* and walked away.
- \_\_\_ 9. With *sympathetic pity*, the girl told the story of the suffering her best friend had endured.
- \_\_\_ 10. Do not let your *passion* for your high school sweetheart interfere with your plans for college!

**Substitution:**

- Focuses on synonymous expressions
- Tests grammar, verb tense, idiomatic prepositions, etc.
- All activities are cumulative

**Greek & Latin Roots:**

- Frequently-used roots
- Great discussion activity
- Introduces new words using the roots
- Extends vocab groups

**The Root of the Matter**

*Fact, Fect, Fic, Feas* (Latin) = "do," "make,"

**Thought and Discussion**

What is the function of a *factory*? What do *factory* workers do for a living?

Is there an *effective* cure for the common cold? What makes some medicines *ineffective*?

What would you do if you bought a *defective* product at the store?

What does it take to become *proficient* at a task?

Charities seek *benefactors* to donate funds and resources so that the charities can serve their *beneficiaries*. What does a *benefactor* do? What does a *beneficiary* do?

**Application**

Fill in the blanks using your knowledge of the word roots.

1. A benefactor is someone who \_\_\_\_\_ good deeds.
2. An efficacious medicine \_\_\_\_\_ well.
3. An ineffectual effort fails to \_\_\_\_\_ what it is supposed to do.
4. To facilitate is to \_\_\_\_\_ something easier to do.
5. Someone beneficent enjoys \_\_\_\_\_ good things for other people.
6. Someone proficient at an activity is really good at \_\_\_\_\_ that activity.
7. Someone deficient in a skill lacks the ability to \_\_\_\_\_ that skill well.
8. A product that is defective does not \_\_\_\_\_ correctly.
9. Politicians convicted of malfeasance have \_\_\_\_\_ wrong.
10. In a cause and effect relationship, the cause \_\_\_\_\_ the effect happen.
11. A malefactor is someone who \_\_\_\_\_ bad deeds.

**Name the Speaker**

Read the statement and identify which term from the list below is most closely associated with the statement.

- |              |                |
|--------------|----------------|
| A. pedagogue | F. pacifist    |
| B. savant    | G. curmudgeon  |
| C. sycophant | H. boor        |
| D. sage      | I. clairvoyant |
| E. glutton   | J. epicure     |


- \_\_\_ 1. "Don't even try and be nice to me. I'm having a bad day."
- \_\_\_ 2. "I'm going to bring the boss tickets to the Rangers baseball game so that he will prefer me to my coworkers."
- \_\_\_ 3. "I hate war!"
- \_\_\_ 4. "I can tell by reading your cards that you are having some trouble in your life."
- \_\_\_ 5. "I just couldn't get enough of that roast beef. I ate so much that my stomach ached."
- \_\_\_ 6. "People always look to me for wisdom."
- \_\_\_ 7. "I want to be the one to choose the restaurant because I know where we can get the best wine with dinner."
- \_\_\_ 8. "I will be giving a lecture on the Knights of the Round Table in class today."
- \_\_\_ 9. "I can remember a random series of 100 numbers after only hearing them once."
- \_\_\_ 10. "I like to use a toothpick at the table."

**Name the Speaker:**

- Higher-level thinking skills
- Enhances student understanding
- Provides a "visual" to associate with terms
- All activities are cumulative

## True or False

If the sentence correctly uses the word in italics, mark it True. If not, mark it False.

- 
- \_\_\_ 1. If you were *indiscreet* about keeping a secret, it would not be a secret for long.
  - \_\_\_ 2. If you are fortunate, you have an *indecorous* principal running your school.
  - \_\_\_ 3. A *decadent house* is decorated in the latest styles.
  - \_\_\_ 4. *Scrupulous* behavior would be expected of the Boy Scouts of America.
  - \_\_\_ 5. To *propagate* a rumor, you pass it on to someone else.
  - \_\_\_ 6. As a writer, it is *efficacious* to have an extensive vocabulary and a creative mind.
  - \_\_\_ 7. If the evidence is sparse and its meaning is debatable, it is *incontrovertible*.
  - \_\_\_ 8. If someone lacks *fortitude*, he or she will make an excellent military recruit.
  - \_\_\_ 9. A *virile* man may be cast in the movies as a "macho man."
  - \_\_\_ 10. A *toady* is honest and straightforward by nature.

## True or False:

- Higher-level thinking skills
- Encourages discussion of nuances and examples
- Uses words from earlier groups

**Scenarios**

Select the term that best fits with the scenario.

- |                |                |
|----------------|----------------|
| A) amalgamate  | F) salve       |
| B) trove       | G) tranquil    |
| C) synergistic | H) serendipity |
| D) equanimity  | I) innocuous   |
| E) propitiate  | J) berate      |

1. Nothing ever fazes Sylvia; she maintains her composure no matter what.
2. It was good luck that I ran into you today; I have been thinking about you all week.
3. On a calm night, the lake is peaceful and soothing.
4. The books in the children's section at the library contain a wealth of imaginative stories.
5. When I put the analgesic cream on the gash on my arm, it immediately felt better.
6. The ancients made regular sacrifices to the gods to ensure the gods would bless them with fertility.
7. The mom scolded the child for touching the hot stove.
8. When we work together, we end up with a better final product.
9. The sword was forged from a combination of several different metals.
10. I found a grass snake in the garden today.

1.	H	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
2.	J	TOP: Group 4	Week 5
3.	E	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
4.	C	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
5.	F	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
6.	B	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
7.	G	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
8.	D	TOP: Group 3	Week 5
9.	A	TOP: Group 5	Week 5
10.	I	TOP: Group 4	Week 5

**Scenarios:**

- Higher-level thinking skills
- Enhances student understanding
- Provides a “visual” to associate with terms
- All activities are cumulative



## Fill in the Blank

Select the best term from the Word Bank below to complete each blank. Each term will only be used one time.

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| A. reprieve     | F. iterative     |
| B. recommence   | G. precipitated  |
| C. variegated   | H. obsolete      |
| D. ephemeral    | I. anachronistic |
| E. interminable | J. extricate     |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The old man's conversation was so ----- that I quickly tired of hearing the same story over and over again.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Record players, which have been replaced by CD players, are now -----, except as curiosity pieces for collectors and historians.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. The ----- colors of the material made it unsuitable for the school uniform, which needed to be a solid navy blue.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. After what seemed like a(n) ----- wait, I finally just rescheduled my appointment with the doctor for another day.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. When granted a presidential -----, the defendant fell to his knees in thankful gratitude.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. There were days I thought about John for long periods of time, but as the years went by, my thoughts of him were more -----.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. I was drawn into the subterfuge unwittingly and, when I realized what had happened, I found it difficult to ----- myself from the situation.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The unkind remark by one student ----- an argument that soon led to a melee.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. After a brief intermission, the play will ----- for the second act.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. Having actors wear World War II uniforms in a Greek play would be -----.

## Fill in the Blank:

- Tests:
  - » Usage
  - » Grammar
  - » Prepositions
  - » Verb Tense

## Group 12 Narrative

**Directions:** Select the best term from the Word Bank to complete each blank only once.

- |            |              |
|------------|--------------|
| acumen     | discern      |
| adept      | erudite      |
| adroitness | fervent      |
| astutely   | momentum     |
| aversion   | multifaceted |

From the moment that a child is born, parents often begin to (1) \_\_\_\_\_ behavior, proof that their child is (2) \_\_\_\_\_ whether a child will excel in athletics or academics before the child can walk or talk. However, the truth is that those who are considered (3) \_\_\_\_\_ at a certain skill at an early age may not continue to develop that skill and may, in fact, lose so much ground that they become average or even below average in that area. Eric Wargo examines this phenomena of lost (4) \_\_\_\_\_ in his article, "The Myth of Prodigy and Why it Matters."

Wargo's article relies heavily on (5) \_\_\_\_\_ insights from Malcom Gladwell, who was once considered an extraordinary child, but now considers himself average in a field that he once dominated. Malcom Gladwell puts it this way: "What a gifted child is, in many ways, is a gifted learner. And what a gifted adult is, is a gifted doer. And those are quite separate domains of achievement." Similarly, a 1980 study of those who attended

elementary school found that graduates were successful adults in their home country. Many who graduated from the school were (6) \_\_\_\_\_ graduate degrees, but they were not of national importance.

Wargo believes that labeling children as prodigies has given them the notion that they will not need to work to succeed. In fact, hard work can hold the naturally gifted back as their peers in (8) \_\_\_\_\_ at a particular skill can be more successful than the willingness to practice that skill continually.

- |                 |          |
|-----------------|----------|
| 1. precocious   | Group 12 |
| 2. discern      | Group 4  |
| 3. adept        | Group 12 |
| 4. momentum     | Group 6  |
| 5. trenchant    | Group 12 |
| 6. erudite      | Group 12 |
| 7. aversion     | Group 7  |
| 8. adroitness   | Group 12 |
| 9. multifaceted | Group 10 |
| 10. acumen      | Group 12 |
| 11. astutely    | Group 12 |
| 12. sagacity    | Group 12 |

### Narrative:

- Higher-level thinking skills
- Synthesizes terms from many groups
- Tests:
  - » Usage
  - » Grammar
  - » Prepositions
  - » Verb tense

### Media Mentions

“Even in this cynical age when so much of sport has been devalued by overpaid stars, cheating and other **chicanery**, it is impossible not to applaud all those who take part in the Transplant Games at national and international level. These are dedicated athletes in their own right, but who have the perspective of knowing they are fortunate to be alive never mind competing to a high standard.”

“Save Lives at the Stroke of a Pen.” *Belfast Telegraph*. 26 Nov. 2010. <[www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk](http://www.belfasttelegraph.co.uk)>.

**Does chicanery result in cynicism? How do the Transplant Games combat cynicism?**

“Federal authorities arrested Paul Ceglia on charges of mail and wire fraud last week. Ceglia is accused of tampering with, destroying and **fabricating** evidence in a scheme to defraud Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg of billions of dollars.”

Dragani, Rachele. “Feds Collar Would-Be Facebook Fraudster.” *Ecommerce Times*. 29 Oct. 2012. <[www.ecommercetimes.com](http://www.ecommercetimes.com)>.

**When are people tempted to fabricate stories?**

“At our two favorite universities, Yale and Princeton, psychologists are fond of giving students questionnaires asking how they compare with their classmates. For example, students are asked: ‘Are you a more skillful driver than your average classmate?’ Invariably, the overwhelming majority answer that they are above-average drivers. Even when asked about their athletic ability, where one would think it more difficult to **delude** oneself, students generally say they’re above average. They see themselves as above-average dancers, conservationists, friends, and so on.”

Ellis, Charles D. and Burton Malkiel. “The 6 Biggest Investing Mistakes.” *CNN Money*. 13 Jan. 2010. <[www.money.cnn.com](http://www.money.cnn.com)>.

**How does self-perception become warped? How often do we deceive ourselves?**

#### Media Mentions:

- Higher-level thinking skills
- Great for discussion
- Shows terms used in modern media contexts

**Short Answer Questions**

**Directions:** Answer the questions below thoroughly to demonstrate your understanding of the *italicized* vocabulary term.

1. How can you identify whether a novel is written in *epistolary* style?
2. List 2 places you might find an *epigraph*. Explain your reasoning.
3. Give an example of something that could be *gilded*. Explain your reasoning.
4. Who would carry a *tome*?
5. Would you want to attend an important job interview looking *disheveled*? Why or why not?
6. List 2 places you would find a *vener*. Explain your reasoning.
7. When is your complexion *pallid*? Explain your reasoning.
8. List 2 reasons you might have a *ruddy* complexion.
9. What would a *variegated* quilt look like?
10. What should be *expurgated*? Explain your reasoning.

**Short Answers:**

- Higher-level thinking
- Writing and application
- Great for in-class or homework assignments
- Students generate examples and form mental pictures
- Enhances student understanding

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## Persuasive Writing Prompt

Read the following quotation.

No one wants advice - only corroboration.

--John Steinbeck

### Writing Assignments:

- Require specific types of writing
- Require students to use vocabulary in context
- Improve timed writing skills
- Develop creative thinking skills
- Make great take-home assignments

Do you believe that people want advice or corroboration? Think carefully.

Write an essay stating your position on whether you believe that people

Be sure to --

- state your position clearly
- use appropriate organization
- provide specific support for your argument
- choose your words carefully
- edit your writing for grammar, mechanics, and spelling

Incorporate at least half of the words (or alternative forms of the words) below into your essay. Be sure to *use* them correctly and *spell* them correctly.

advocate  
articulate  
collusion  
detached  
discern

expedite  
futile  
irony  
partisan  
penchant

predilection  
profound  
propensity  
prospectus  
provocative

rouse  
scoff  
substantiate  
trenchant  
vindicate

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### Expository Writing Prompt

Read the following quotation.

A major power can afford a military debacle only when it looks like a political victory.  
--Friedrich Dürrenmatt

Should a military debacle be acceptable when it can be turned into a political victory? Think carefully about this question.

Write an essay explaining whether politics should be able to redeem military failures.

Be sure to --

- clearly state your thesis
- organize and develop your ideas effectively
- choose your words carefully
- edit your writing for grammar, mechanics, and spelling

Incorporate at least half of the words (or alternative forms of the words) below into your essay. Be sure to *use* them correctly and *spell* them correctly.

acrid  
apprehend  
aversion  
conflagration


denounce  
foreboding  
ignominy  
immerse

inept  
machination  
mar  
momentum

oppress  
pilfer  
seditious  
transcend

**Sentence Completion Quiz**

Select the best term among the choices to fill in the blank.

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1. One method of ---- a crying baby is to play soothing classical music.
    - A. allocating
    - B. propitiating
    - C. bemusing
    - D. ingratiating
    - E. razing
  2. The counselor could detect that the young man was very troubled by the ---- way in which he walked and presented himself.
    - A. amicable
    - B. latent
    - C. sprightly
    - D. insolent
    - E. vivacious
  3. The unseasonably warm weather made the students ---- after recess.
    - A. eradicated
    - B. frenetic
    - C. lethargic
    - D. succinct
    - E. vivacious
  4. Having relaxed in the sun all afternoon, Camilla was too ---- to even sit up and eat her dinner.
    - A. languid
    - B. loquacious
    - C. verbose
    - D. vivacious
    - E. pithy
  5. The Susan B. Komen Foundation is working diligently to ---- breast cancer.
    - A. reprove
    - B. imprecate
    - C. berate
    - D. raze
    - E. eradicate
  6. Handsome and ----, Andrew thought himself a prize catch for some sophisticated young woman.
    - A. loutish
    - B. torpid
    - C. urbane
    - D. ignominious
    - E. unremitting
  7. Many citizens did not want to ---- the old Depression-era town hall to make room for new construction, so they sought to save it by registering it as an historical landmark.
    - A. enervate
    - B. raze
    - C. curtail
    - D. inundate
    - E. ascribe
  8. ---- from a long afternoon canoeing Lake Mendota, Michael and his friends went to bed each night.
    - A. exhausted
    - B. languid
    - C. loquacious
    - D. verbose
    - E. vivacious

**Weekly Quiz:**

- Teaches application of test-taking skills
- Tests timing skills
- Cumulative activity
  - » At least one question tests a prior group directly
  - » Answer choices include terms from prior groups

## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

## Grade 6

<b>Group 1 NATURE</b>	<b>Group 5 MONEY</b>	<b>Group 9 ENERGY</b>	<b>Group 13 EXCESS</b>
1 domesticate	41 appreciate	80 diligent	116 abundant
2 eclipse	42 bankrupt	81 exhaust	117 arrogant
3 evolve	43 budget	82 exhilaration	118 deplete
4 fiber	44 contribute	83 fatigue	119 drastic
5 graze	45 extravagant	84 hectic	120 elaborate
6 hatch	46 fee	85 velocity	121 exaggerate
7 innate	47 frugal	86 colossal	122 leeway
8 rodent	48 invaluable	87 extend	123 rash
9 solar	49 poverty	88 extensive	
10 stampede		89	
	<b>Group 6 CLOTHING</b>	<b>Group 10</b>	
<b>Group 2 MOVEMENT</b>	50 apparel	91 boycott	127 abandon
11 gait	51 attire	92 continuous	128 accumulate
12 hover	52 garment	93 detain	129 attain
13 inflate	53 appeal	94 inhibit	130 custody
14 mobile	54 captivate	95 punctuate	131 possess
15 motion	55 engross	96 quench	132 repel
16 propel	56 fad	97 restrain	133 strew
17 revolve	57 insist	98 stifle	
18 shed	58 inspire	<b>Group 11 BOTHER</b>	<b>Group 15 DANGER</b>
19 stationary	59 intrigue	99 aggravate	134 captive
20 swivel	60 manipulate	100 gripe	135 *flammable
21 wend		101 unruly	136 jeopardy
<b>Group 3 GROUP</b>	<b>Group 7 PLACE</b>	102 appropriate	137 peril
22 accompany	61 abroad	103 *beneficial	138 plummet
23 council	62 aloft	104 convenient	139 predicament
24 exclude	63 expanse	105 discreet	140 woe
25 fuse	64 moor	106 sinister	141 *conspicuous
26 horde	65 peninsula	<b>Group 12 DESTROY</b>	142 detect
27 integrate	66 terrain	107 breach	143 exhibit
28 majority	67 territory	108 catastrophe	144 glare
29 segregate	68 vicinity	109 collide	<b>Group 16 CALM</b>
30 supplement	<b>Group 8 RESULT</b>	110 corrode	145 lull
31 swarm	69 consequence	111 debris	146 *placid
<b>Group 4 HOSTILE</b>	70 *factor	112 *exterminate	147 soothe
32 brawl	71 verdict	113 fatality	148 tranquil
33 grudge	72 abbreviate	114 infest	149 adapt
34 persecute	73 *diminish	115 salvage	150 *effect
35 prejudice	74 disk		151 persevere
36 retaliate	75 *miniature		152 restore
37 revenge	76 *minute		153 substitute
38 siege	77 paltry		154 tentative
39 skirmish	78 scale		155 versatile
40 stern	79 trace		

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**Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List**

**Grade 7**

<b>Group 1 SPEECH</b>	<b>Group 5 EFFORT</b>	<b>Group 9 IMPORTANT</b>	<b>Group 13 KNOWLEDGE</b>
1 admonish	43 arduous	83 climax	122 astute
2 allege	44 cope	84 compulsory	123 consult
3 assert	45 endure	85 haughty	124 docile
4 beseech	46 grueling	86 illustrious	125 enlighten
5 conjure	47 hurtle	87 legendary	126 illiterate
6 emphasize	48 industrious	88 momentous	127 mentor
7 haggle	49 menial	89 necessity	128 naive
8 retort	50 stint	90 pretentious	129 rustic
9 signify	51 strenuous	91 principal	130 unwitting
10 theme	52 toil		
11 warble	53 trek		
<b>Group 2 THINK</b>	<b>Group 6 MOVEMENT</b>	<b>Group 10 AMBIVALENT</b>	
12 acknowledge	54 avert	92	
13 dissuade	55 clamber	93	
14 fathom	56 detach	94	
15 incline	57 enroll	95 infuriate	134 impartial
16 muse	58 fluctuate	96 irate	135 indifferent
17 perceive	59 intervene	97 wrath	136 compel
18 ponder	60 nimble	98 aghast	137 enthrall
19 probe	61 nomad	99 dumbfound	138 evict
20 realize	62 recede	100 flabbergast	139 oblige
21 resolve	63 ungainly	101 *incredulous	140 oppress
			141 overwhelm
<b>Group 3 STRENGTH</b>	<b>Group 7 AGREE</b>	<b>Group 11 TIME</b>	<b>Group 15 CHARACTERISTIC</b>
22 formidable	64 acclaim	102 consecutive	142 aloof
23 foster	65 *assent	103 era	143 attribute
24 intensify	66 compromise	104 headlong	144 exotic
25 invincible	67 concur	105 impromptu	145 homage
26 ponderous	68 correspond	106 initiate	146 irrelevant
27 prowess	69 endorse	107 permanent	147 mottled
28 replenish	70 *placate	108 prior	148 precise
29 robust	71 receptive	109 respite	149 sleek
30 stringent		110 urgent	150 subtle
31 ultimate	<b>Group 8 BOTHER</b>	<b>Group 12 GAIN</b>	<b>Group 16 FIRST</b>
	72 agitate	111 acquire	151 debut
<b>Group 4 GROUP</b>	73 badger	112 procure	152 pioneer
32 component	74 distraught	113 scavenge	153 premiere
33 comprise	75 fluster	114 *apathy	154 *benefactor
34 congested	76 harass	115 derelict	155 bounty
35 distinction	77 perturb	116 desolate	156 estimate
36 diversity	78 pique	117 devoid	157 flourish
37 ghetto	79 tedious	118 lax	158 inherit
38 insulate	80 prostrate	119 lethargic	159 lavish
39 medley	81 proximity	120 scanty	160 lucrative
40 menagerie	82 verge	121 trifling	161 privilege
41 participate			
42 throng			

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## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

## Grade 8

Group 1	BAD	Group 4	MOVEMENT	Group 8	THOUGHT	Group 12	HORROR
1	atrocitiy	35	agile	72	commemorate	112	claustrophobia
2	dire	36	dismantle	73	conjecture	113	foreboding
3	flagrant	37	dispel	74	*contemplate	114	grotesque
4	inclement	38	execute	75	derive	115	gruesome
5	irksome	39	extricate	76	enigma	116	haunt
6	*malevolent	40	fitful	77	*evoke	117	lurid
7	precarious	41	impel	78	inane	118	abhor
8	reprisal	42	pivot	79	inkling	119	alienate
9	risqué	43	shackle	80	irrational	120	*inflammatory
10	unseemly	44	culminate	81			
11	*despicable	Group 5	OCCUR	82			
12	*ineffectual	45	feasible	Group 9			
Group 2	CHARACTERISTIC	46	arbitrary	83	indelible	123	bulwark
13	avid	47	imminent	84	brevity	124	citadel
14	azure	48	incessant	85	cursorry	125	embroil
15	clad	49	phenomenon	86	elapse	126	grapple
16	combustible	50	recur	87	epoch	127	impregnable
17	forbearance	51	spontaneous	88	*interminable	128	onslaught
18	ornate	52	sporadic	89	millennium	129	rebuff
19	resilient	53	wreak	90	perpetuate	130	wrest
20	tremulous	Group 6	OVERTAKE	91	protracted	131	vie
21	indulgent	54	instill	92	simultaneous	Group 14	AGREE
22	intricate	55	encompass	Group 10	EMOTION	132	accede
23	overt	56	pervade	93	abject	133	accord
Group 3	LANGUAGE	57	assimilate	94	ardent	134	*dissension
24	decipher	58	encroach	95	despondent	135	affirm
25	depict	59	engulf	96	disposition	136	conscientious
26	dialect	60	immerse	97	electrify	137	fastidious
27	dub	61	influx	98	grimace	138	gingerly
28	glib	62	surpass	99	irascible	139	meticulous
29	memoir	Group 7	SENSES	100	rue	140	prudent
30	recant	63	ogle	101	vehement	141	slovenly
31	rejoinder	64	panorama	Group 11	EXCESS	Group 15	CHANGE
32	reticent	65	picturesque	102	copious	142	enhance
33	rhetoric	66	surveillance	103	deluge	143	innovation
34	vignette	67	audible	104	fanfare	144	modify
		68	mute	105	glut	145	rectify
		69	reverberate	106	ostentatious	146	stagnate
		70	strident	107	profusion	147	alleviate
		71	pungent	108	swelter	148	exemplify
				109	guile	149	impersonate
				110	*pseudonym	150	replica
				111	embellish	151	simulate

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## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

### Grade 9

<b>Group 1 MONEY</b>	<b>Group 5 POSITION</b>	<b>Group 9 EXCESS</b>	<b>Group 13 BODY</b>
1 appraise	42 antecedent	81 dote	120 amputate
2 assess	43 apex	82 exorbitant	121 decapitate
3 defray	44 ascendant	83 extravaganza	122 embody
4 depreciate	45 caliber	84 jaded	123 recuperate
5 garner	46 definitive	85 pomp	124 sustenance
6 gratis	47 rudimentary	86 regale	125 trauma
7 impoverish	48 *supersede	87 sumptuous	126 visage
8 monetary	49 surmount	88 torrid	127 viscera
9 remunerate	50 zenith	89 voracious	128 contend
10 subsidy	<b>Group 6 SPEECH</b>	<b>Group 11 HOSTILE</b>	<b>Group 15 ENERGY</b>
<b>Group 2 CONDITION</b>	51 blandishment	99 averse	142 alacrity
11 fateful	52 broach	100 contravene	143 spry
12 fraught	53 divulge	101 decimate	144 verve
13 impervious	54 exhort	102 foray	145 allure
14 incontrovertible	55 expostulate	103 martial	146 amenity
15 indubitable	56 impart	104 pernicious	147 boon
16 inexplicable	57 implicate	105 quash	148 camaraderie
17 inherent	58 orator	106 subjugate	149 gregarious
18 *insuperable	59 remonstrate	107 vitriolic	150 *magnanimous
19 *irrevocable	60 solicit	108 memorabilia	151 suave
20 porous	61 voluble	109 paraphernalia	<b>Group 16 HUMOR</b>
<b>Group 3 ACTIVITY</b>	62 wheedle	<b>Group 12 THINK</b>	152 facetious
21 adhere	<b>Group 7 LEGAL</b>	110 deduction	153 farce
22 *avocation	63 clemency	111 deem	154 parody
23 brandish	64 collusion	112 devise	155 travesty
24 centrifugal	65 indict	113 envisage	156 zany
25 cleave	66 injunction	114 *infer	157 articulate
26 emancipate	67 judicial	115 pensive	158 enunciate
27 expend	68 obligatory	116 plumb	159 ribald
28 impetus	69 sanction	117 quandary	160 stilted
29 proffer	70 suffrage	118 scrutinize	161 succinct
30 rescind	71 vindicate	119 *speculate	
<b>Group 4 SKILLED</b>	<b>Group 8 INACTIVITY</b>		
31 adroit	72 default		
32 aficionado	73 feckless		
33 aptitude	74 indolent		
34 dexterous	75 intermittent		
35 faculty	76 laggard		
36 incapacitate	77 moribund		
37 *ingenious	78 repose		
38 potential	79 sedentary		
39 precocious	80 wane		
40 prodigy			
41 virtuoso			

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## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

## Grade 10

<b>Group 1 MONEY</b>	<b>Group 5 BOTHER</b>	<b>Group 8 LANGUAGE</b>	<b>Group 12 HOSTILE</b>
1 allocate	42 accost	76 aphorism	114 abominate
2 avarice	43 beleaguer	77 *colloquial	115 acrimony
3 disburse	44 beset	78 epitaph	116 altercation
4 insatiable	45 disgruntle	79 euphemism	117 *animosity
5 largesse	46 exacerbate	80 *grandiloquent	118 asperity
6 liquidate	47 foment	81 hyperbole	119 rancor
7 magnate	48 importune	82 ineffable	120 scurrilous
8 recompense	49 incur	83 manifesto	121 amenable
9 reparation	50 instigate	84 *misnomer	122 induce
10 stipend	51 inure	85	
	52 onerous		
<b>Group 2 NATURE</b>	<b>Group 6 COLLECTION</b>	<b>Group 10 EMOTION</b>	<b>Group 14 ENERGY</b>
11 agrarian	53 aggregate	86	123 curator
12 cataclysm	54 assemblage	87	126 entrepreneur
13 celestial	55 clique	88 demoralize	127 espionage
14 galaxy	56 cohort	89 diabolical	128 *factotum
15 *indigenous	57 constituent	90 iniquitous	129 incumbent
16 maelstrom	58 enclave	91 *malign	130 predecessor
17 promontory	59 flotilla	92 perverse	131 servitude
18 secrete	60 gamut	93 sadistic	
19 winnow	61 *homogeneous	94 scourge	
20 zephyr	62 manifold		
<b>Group 3 RULE</b>	63 muster		
21 annals	64 pantheon		
22 cede	65 repertoire		
23 constrain	<b>Group 7 CRITICIZE</b>		
24 flout	66 berate		
25 *hierarchy	67 castigate		
26 inalienable	68 cavil		
27 insurrection	69 denigrate		
28 mandatory	70 disparage		
29 *matriarchy	71 gibe		
30 necessitate	72 indignity		
31 prerogative	73 inveigh		
<b>Group 4 CHAOS</b>	74 pillory		
32 aberration	75 scathing		
33 desultory			
34 disarray			
35 *equilibrium			
36 incoherent			
37 indiscriminate			
38 pandemonium			
39 rambunctious			
40 rampant			
41 temerity			
		<b>Group 11 APPEARANCE</b>	<b>Group 15 PREDICT</b>
		104 aura	141 ambivalent
		105 countenance	142 augur
		106 gossamer	143 *auspicious
		107 materialize	144 harbinger
		108 mien	145 vagary
		109 patina	146 visionary
		110 vestige	147 volatile
		111 infirmity	148 bemuse
		112 lacerate	149 conundrum
		113 panacea	150 dilemma

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## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

### Grade SAT

<b>Group 1 UNCERTAINTY</b>	<b>Group 4 KNOWLEDGE</b>	<b>Group 7 BAD</b>	<b>Group 11 APPEARANCE</b>
1 ambiguous	35 *apprehend	69 acrid	111 aestheticism
2 ambivalent	36 ascertain	70 aversion	112 baroque
3 baffle	37 connoisseur	71 conflagration	113 decorum
4 capricious	38 didactic	72 debacle	114 demeanor
5 dubious	39 discern	73 foreboding	115 depict
6 *equivocal	40 enlighten	74 *ignominy	116 embellish
7 impetuous	41 fundamental	75 inept	117 garnishment
8 irresolute	42 lucid	76 machination	118 ornate
9 mercurial	43 profound	77 mar	
10 nebulous	44 scrutinize	78	<b>Group 12 SMART</b>
11 whimsical	45 tacit	79	
	46 vicarious	80	
<b>Group 2 LANGUAGE</b>	<b>Group 5 EMOTION</b>	<b>Group 8 BELLIGERENT</b>	
12 allusion	47 catharsis	81 belligerent	123 erudite
13 anecdote	48 dispassionate	82 cantankerous	124 esoteric
14 articulate	49 ebullient	83 contemptuous	125 precocious
15 convey	50 fervent	84 contentious	126 sagacious
16 enumerate	51 indignation	85 grudge	127 trenchant
17 ineffable	52 lament	86 pugnacious	
18 irony	53 somber	87 cynical	<b>Group 13 EFFORT</b>
19 loquacious	54 sullen	88 pragmatist	128 culminate
20 platitude	55 temperament	89 skeptic	129 debilitate
21 reticent	56 wistful		130 diligent
22 rhetoric		<b>Group 9 CALM</b>	131 *efficacious
23 verbose	<b>Group 6 MOVEMENT</b>	90 acquiesce	132 exploit
	57 *circumvent	91 assuage	133 flag
<b>Group 3 CRITICISM</b>	58 convergence	92 *complacent	134 *prolific
24 aspersion	59 digress	93 conciliatory	135 resurgence
25 chide	60 dispersion	94 docile	136 sedulous
26 denounce	61 encroach	95 mollify	
27 deride	62 immerse	96 phlegmatic	<b>Group 14 FALSE</b>
28 diatribe	63 momentum	97 *placid	137 belie
29 disdain	64 regressive	98 resign	138 chicanery
30 disparage	65 supplant	99 solace	139 delude
31 rail	66 transcend	100 steadfast	140 disillusioned
32 reproach	67 traverse		141 *disingenuous
33 scoff	68 winnow	<b>Group 10 COMPLEX</b>	142 erroneous
34 scorn		101 abstract	143 fabrication
		102 abstruse	144 fallacious
		103 amalgam	145 feign
		104 arcane	
		105 convoluted	
		106 eclectic	
		107 enigma	
		108 inscrutable	
		109 multifaceted	
		110 obscure	

# Grade 11

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## Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List

## Grade 12

<b>Group 1 BEHAVIOR</b>	<b>Group 5 NATURE</b>	<b>Group 9 CRITICIZE</b>	<b>Group 13 MOVEMENT</b>
1 chasten	42 aborigine	84 abjure	126 actuate
2 deign	43 apiary	85 aspersion	127 convulse
3 fractious	44 brackish	86 calumny	128 devolve
4 infraction	45 cetacean	87 decry	129 efflorescence
5 infringe	46 cornucopia	88 fulminate	130 exhume
6 interloper	47 endemic	89 *obloquy	131 expatriate
7 protocol	48 flora	90 adjure	132 itinerary
8 recalcitrant	49 preternatural	91 decree	133 peripatetic
9 refractory	50 terrestrial	92 dictum	134 celerity
10 sublimate	51 vernal	93	
	52 viviparous	94	
<b>Group 2 KNOWLEDGE</b>	<b>Group 6 RELATIONSHIP</b>	<b>Group 10 ACUMEN</b>	<b>Group 14 INSOLVENCY</b>
11 covert	53 ancillary	95 acumen	137 insolvent
12 dilettante	54 conjugal	96 cerebral	138 pecuniary
13 educe	55 consanguinity	97 mordant	139 perquisite
14 empirical	56 filial	98 omniscient	140 prodigal
15 forte	57 *genealogy	99 savant	141 rapacious
16 *misapprehend	58 minion	100 trenchant	142 restitution
17 misconstrue	59 nemesis	101 herculean	143 eschew
18 prescient	60 nuptials	102 infinitesimal	144 mores
19 *presentiment	61 parity	103 leviathan	145 rectitude
20 putative	62 *progenitor	104 *minutia	
<b>Group 3 LACK</b>	<b>Group 7 SPEECH</b>	<b>Group 11 SENSES</b>	<b>Group 15 MODEL</b>
21 ascetic	63 apothegm	105 acerbic	146 *archetype
22 benighted	64 badinage	106 cacophony	147 exemplar
23 desuetude	65 *colloquy	107 descry	148 microcosm
24 dotage	66 *convoke	108 fetid	149 paragon
25 insular	67 declaim	109 gustatory	150 prototype
26 nihilism	68 *invoke	110 obstreperous	151 quintessence
27 nonplus	69 polemic	111 palpable	152 bourgeois
28 nugatory	70 repartee	112 enervate	153 denizen
29 torpor	71 supplicate	113 lassitude	154 habitué
30 vacuous	72 taciturn	114 stultify	155 insipid
<b>Group 4 LANGUAGE</b>	73 valedictory	<b>Group 12 BELIEFS</b>	<b>Group 16 MEDICAL</b>
31 adumbrate	<b>Group 8 TIME</b>	115 acolyte	156 apothecary
32 appellation	74 anachronism	116 *animus	157 carcinogen
33 delineate	75 antediluvian	117 apotheosis	158 cognitive
34 dissertation	76 archaic	118 credo	159 coma
35 *equivocal	77 erstwhile	119 desecrate	160 congenital
36 expatriate	78 hiatus	120 fatalism	161 nostrum
37 *genre	79 perennial	121 iconoclast	162 regurgitate
38 limn	80 precursor	122 inferno	163 salutary
39 peruse	81 primeval	123 talisman	164 absolve
40 *prospectus	82 quadrennial	124 arrogate	165 exculpate
41 protagonist	83 *temporize	125 despoil	

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\* Indicates a Word Root Activity is available.

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**Knowsys Vocabulary Group Word List**

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Group 5	HOSTILE	Group 6	EMOTION	Group 7	LESSEN	Group 8	EXCESS
121	bridle	151	chagrin	181	abdicate	211	chock-full
122	choleric	152	dejected	182	abridged	212	ecstatic
123	coerce	153	despondent	183	consolation	213	effusive
124	despoil	154	dispassionate	184	degenerate	214	exuberant
125	ferocity	155	distress	185	dissipate	215	levity
126	malicious	156	dreary	186	dwindle	216	rampant
127	malignity	157	gloomy	187	excise	217	sublime
128	misanthrope	158	grim	188	mitigate	218	apparition
129	ominous	159	plaintive	189	continuum	219	contrivance
130	tumult	160	rueful	190	creak	220	discrepancy
131	vehement	161	sullen	191	intermittent	221	glib
132	aspiration	162	admonish	192	lurch	222	groundless
133	bestow	163	articulate	193	permeate	223	panacea
134	buoyant	164	brevity	194	protrude	224	surreptitious
135	efficacious	165	cliché	195	sever	225	amiable
136	endearing	166	colloquial	196	undulating	226	bolster
137	gleeful	167	delineate	197	autocratic	227	buffer
138	lofty	168	denounce	198	imperious	228	conducive
139	quintessence	169	eloquent	199	insolent	229	evince
140	sanguine	170	interject	200	mortify	230	exponent
141	scrupulous	171	intimate	201	pompous	231	solicitude
142	anterior	172	abject	202	pretentious	232	encomium
143	belated	173	abysmal	203	surly	233	estimable
144	bygone	174	ailment	204	ample	234	exalt
145	ephemeral	175	awry	205	appreciable	235	homage
146	epoch	176	befall	206	considerable	236	iconic
147	era	177	decrepit	207	disproportionate	237	venerate
148	hence	178	degradation	208	exiguous	238	entreat
149	inaugural	179	egregious	209	momentous	239	expostulate
150	nostalgia	180	onerous	210	myriad	240	incline

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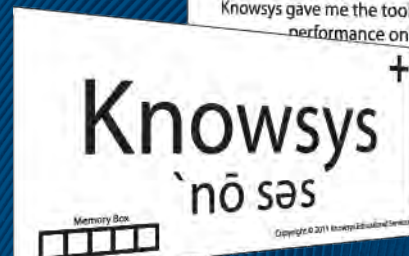
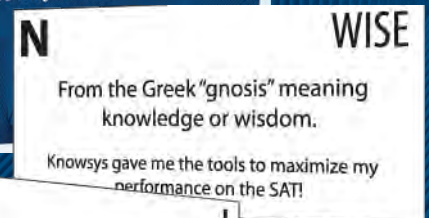
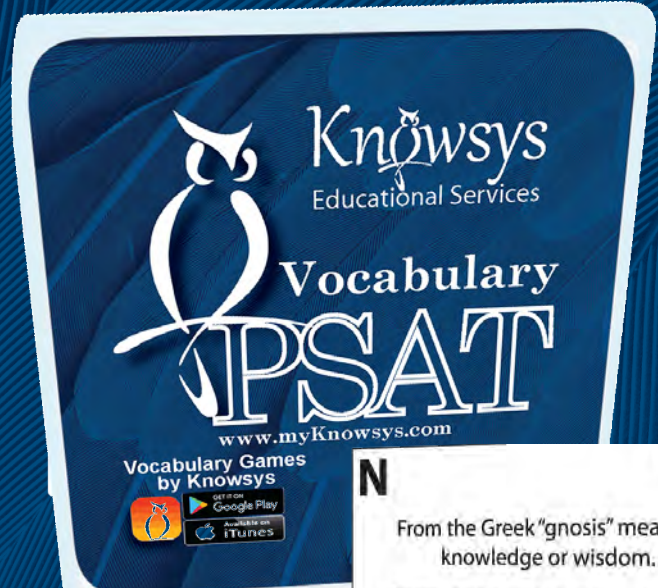
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