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Want more? Advanced embedding details, examples, and help! Sketching in the Wild: John James Audubon There are fountains in the park near where we live, and birds gather around them to drink. I became curious about the different kinds of birds. When I asked a librarian where I could find information about birds, he recommended John James Audubon's Birds of America, first published in the 1830s in four large volumes. What a beautiful, ambitious work! From the books, I was able to identify all of the birds I'd been seeing. Then I began to wonder what sort of man Audubon was and what motivated him to paint pictures of so many birds. These ten Vocabulary Words will be used. Each word is provided with its syllables, pronunciation, part of speech, definition, examples, synonyms, and antonyms. quiet, shy, modest, or reserved in manner. His future bride was not the demure woman that he'd been expecting; instead she was forthright and strongly assertive. synonyms: diffident, modest, reserved, retiring, shy to enlighten or inform so as to uplift morally, intellectually, or spiritually. School teachers of the 1800s edified their pupils by presenting to them the fables of Aesop and other morality tales, alternately stopping and starting with pauses in between. There was rain, but it was intermittent and didn't entirely spoil the parade.

antonyms: assiduous, ceaseless, continual, continuous, incessant, perpetual, persistent, unceasing the power of knowing or apprehending something directly, without learning it consciously or submitting it to processes of logic. She never learned the rules of grammar, but she writes well using her intuition about what is correct. synonyms: apprehension, instinct, sixth sense not related to or connected with the matter or occasion at hand. synonyms: extraneous, immaterial, impertinent, inapplicable, inapposite antonyms: material, relevant pale or whitened; lacking color. The girl's pallid complexion was of concern to the doctor. synonyms: cadaverous, ghastly, pale, wan unnecessarily repetitive. To say that someone is "extremely ecstatic" seems redundant in that "ecstatic" already includes the idea of extremeness. synonyms: excessive, repetitious, superfluous having qualities or characteristics that remind one of someone or something (usually followed by "of"). She has a smile reminiscent of her grandmother's. The style of the dress was reminiscent of one she'd had when she was younger. Fennel has a taste reminiscent of licorice. what follows afterwards, such as the next event in a series, especially as it arises from previous events. I was not surprised when I read that the caretaker was murdered, but I could never have guessed the sequel, a short statement giving an overview, the main principles, or the sequence of events of a narrative, argument, article, or the like; summary; abstract. You'll enjoy the opera more if you read the synopsis of the story before it starts. synonyms: abstract, conspectus, summary Page 2 My aunt and uncle moved to the country after they graduated from college. They learned a lot about living close to the earth and developed a respect and a reverence for nature. Even though they live in a city now and don't have a large garden or keep chickens anymore, they continue to be concerned about the way nature is treated. My relatives have taught me to respect and protect the wonder and diversity of our environment. These ten Vocabulary Words will be used. Each word is provided with its syllables, pronunciation, part of speech, definition, examples, synonyms, and antonyms. to strive against difficulties or opposition (usually followed by "with"). The ship contended with the high waves until, finally, it capsized. The prime minister is having to contend with criticism from his own party. synonyms: fight, grapple, strive, struggle, wrestle to lessen the determination of; intimidate; discourage. He was daunted by the size of the task. synonyms: discourage, dishearten, dismay, intimidate transitive verb & intransitive verb to explode or cause to explode suddenly and violently. The police removed the bomb before it detonated. lacking in reason, sense, or judgment. He had drunk too much whiskey and was now irrational. She had an irrational impulse to jump off the bridge. When his wife went out with her friends, he felt an irrational jealousy. synonyms: foolish, unreasonable, unwise antonyms: rational, reasonable, thinking to push, crowd, or bump against, especially on purpose; collide with. People jostled each other in the crowded bus. That guy must have stolen my wallet when he jostled me on the platform. synonyms: bump, collide, crowd, push the set of terms used by an individual, a particular group, or a profession; vocabulary. Words often take on an entirely unique meaning in the lexicon of a particular field or profession. synonyms: cant, nomenclature, terminology, vocabulary a meeting that has been arranged beforehand, to imitate or reproduce the appearance, sound, or other external characteristics or qualities of. We try to simulate natural conditions in the laboratory. The machine simulates the feeling of weightlessness that an astronaut experiences in space. synonyms: assemblage, crowd, host, mob, multitude VDOC.PUB Download Embed This document was uploaded by our user. The uploader already confirmed that they had the permission to publish it. If you are author/publisher or own the copyright of this documents, please report to us by using this DMCA report form. Report DMCA H.ghton M.flin H.rcourt.2001.236 pages.VOCABULARY WORKSHOP, First Course, helps students in 6th grade build their vocabularies by using words in context, analogies, synonyms, prefixes, suffixes, roots, and prepares for national and local standardized tests. 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In the following file, you will have the opportunity to expand your vocabularybyreadingaboutAldoLeopoldandASandCountyAlmanac. BelowaretenVocabularyWordsthatwillbeused. 1-bestride 2-debut 2. Page 2 of 13 3-fluctuate 4-reprieve 5-theoretical 6-casement 7-documentary 8-melancholy 9-requiem 10-vehement 3. Page 3 of 13 Bestride verb be-stride | bi-'strid , bê- bestrode bi-'strôd , bê- ; bestridden bi-'stri-d'n , bê- ; bestriding bi-'stri-dig , bê- Definition of bestride transitive verb 1: to ride, sit, or stand astride : STHADDDLE 2: to tower over : DOMINATE *the bloated bureaucracy that bestrides us all— Edward Ney Зарчаиc : to stride across Examples of bestride in a Sentence *a giant that bestrode the river *Dora, here I am bestriding the fence on my cousin's farm and anxious to share with you my opinions of Aldo Leopold's A Sand County Almanac. I find it difficult, however, to write a letter while straddling a fence! 4. Page 4 of 13 Casement noun case-ment | 'käs-mənt Definition of casement (Entry 1 of 2) : a window sash that opens on hinges at the side also : a window with such a sash Casement biographical name Case-ment | 'käs-mənt Definition of Casement (Entry 2 of 2) Sir Roger David 1864–1916 Irish rebel Examples of casement in a Sentence *I know that Aunt Diane is watching me from the casement because I heard the hinges squeak when she opened it to let air in. As you can tell, I'm trying to train my senses in the best Aldo Leopold manner. 5. Page 5 of 13 Debut noun de-but | 'dä-byü , dä-'byü variants: or less commonly début Definition of debut (Entry 1 of 2) 1: a first appearance *made her singing debut *the writer's debut novel 2: a formal entrance into society *in honor of their daughter's debut debut verb debuted; debuting; debuts Definition of debut (Entry 2 of 2) intransitive verb : to make a first appearance or a formal entrance into society : to make a debut transitive verb : to present to the public for the first time : INTRODUCE *debut a new product Examples of debut in a Sentence *I'm sorry I missed your debut party. Was your formal entrance into society as wonderful as you had hoped? 6. Page 6 of 13 Documentary adjective doc-u-ment-a-ry | 'dä-kyä-'men-tä-rë , '-men-trë , -kyü- Definition of documentary (Entry 1 of 2) 1: being or consisting of documents : contained or certified in writing *documentary evidence 2: of, relating to, or employing documentation (see DOCUMENTATION SENSE 2) in literature or art *broadly : FACTUAL, OBJECTIVE *a documentary film of the war Documentary noun plural documentaries Definition of documentary (Entry 2 of 2) : a presentation (such as a film or novel) expressing or dealing with factual events : a documentary presentation Other Words from documentary Adjective documentarily , dä-kyä-man-'ter-ə-lë , '-men- , -kyü- adverb Synonyms & Antonyms for documentary Synonyms : Adjective factual, hard, historical, literal, matter-of-fact, nonfictional, objective, true Antonyms : Adjective fictional, fictionalized, fictitious, nondocumentary, nonfactual, nonhistorical, unhistorical Examples of documentary in a Sentence *After reading Leopold's classic book about his experiences in nature and with wildlife, I've decided on my career-to make documentaries about nature. Would you watch my fact-based films, even though they wouldn't have glamorous movie stars? 7. Page 7 of 13 Fluctuate verb fluct-u-ate | 'fläk-čhə-'wät , -čhü-,ät fluctuated; fluctuating Definition of fluctuate intransitive verb 1: to shift back and forth uncertainly *Oil prices fluctuated. *Temperatures fluctuated. 2: to rise and fall in or as if in waves *The boat fluctuated on the rough sea. transitive verb : to cause to fluctuate Synonyms & Antonyms for fluctuate Synonyms change, mutate, shift, snap, vary Antonyms plateau, stabilize Examples of fluctuate in a Sentence *Leopold says there is a lot to learn in nature, and that's true. For example, the way the depth of the river has fluctuated this summer interests me. Why does the level rise and fall so frequently? 8. Page 8 of 13 Melancholy noun mel-an-čholy | 'mel-ən-,kä-lë plural melancholies Definition of melancholy (Entry 1 of 2) 1a: depression of spirits : DEJECTION *great outbursts of creativity alternate with feelings of extreme melancholy— Brenda Lane Richardson *Mitchell sounds utterly alone in her melancholy, turning the sadness into tender art.— Rolling Stone b: a pensive mood *a fine romantic kind of a melancholy on the fading of the year— Richard Holmes *One white arm and hand drooped over the side of the chair, and her whole pose and figure spoke of an absorbing melancholy.— Arthur Conan Doyle 2a: MELANCHOLIA SENSE 1 B archaic : an abnormal state attributed to an excess of black bile and characterized by irascibility or depression C archaic : BLACK BILE melancholy adjective Definition of melancholy (Entry 2 of 2) 1a: suggestive or expressive of sadness or depression of mind or spiritsang in a melancholy voice b: causing or tending to cause sadness or depression of mind or spirit : DISMAL *a melancholy thought 2a: depressed in spirits : DEJECTED, SAD b: PENSIVE Synonyms & Antonyms for destitute Synonyms Synonyms: Noun blue devils, Antonyms Antonyms: Noun bliss, 9. Page 9 of 13 blues, dejection, depression Synonyms: Adjective depressing, dismal, drear, dreary, heartbreaking blissfulness, ecstasy, elatedness, elation, euphoria Antonyms: Adjective cheering, cheery, glad, happy Examples of melancholy in a Sentence Noun the bleakness of winter sometimes gives me cause for melancholy Adjective A melancholy lesson of advancing years is the realization that you can't make old friends.— Christopher Hitchens, Harper's, June 1999 Leopold didn't let himself become melancholy by thinking about the harm people have done to nature. He saw no reason for such sadness and gloom because he was confident that people could be taught to appreciate nature and to take care of it. 10. Page 10 of 13 Reprieve verb re-priv-e | 'ri-'prëv reprieved; reprieving Definition of reprieve (Entry 1 of 2) transitive verb 1: to delay the punishment of (someone, such as a condemned prisoner) 2: to give relief or deliverance to for a time Reprieve noun re-priv-e | 'ri-'prëv Definition of reprieve (Entry 2 of 2) 1a: the act of reprieving : the state of being reprieved b: a formal temporary suspension of the execution of a sentence especially of death 2: an order or warrant for a temporary suspension of the execution of a sentence 3: a temporary respite (as from pain or trouble) Examples of reprieve in a Sentence Verb And many murderers have been reprieved because they were condemned for the wrong murder, quite probably just as many as have been executed for the only murder they did not in fact commit.— Christopher Hitchens, Nation, 14 May 2001 *In a postscript to the very same letter, he added, 'If he must die, it were charity to reprieve him till Saturday.' If there had been any doubt of his fate, this weakness and meanness would have settled it. The very next day, which was the twelfth of May, he was brought out to be beheaded on Tower Hill.— Charles Dickens, A Child's History of England, 1854 *an ornate gambling casino that is designed to look like an Italian palace *If someone were sentenced to prison for harming the environment, I'll bet that Leopold would ask that a reprieve be granted so that he could teach the person about the environment before the sentence began. After all, he does feel strongly about education! 11. Page 11 of 13 Requiem noun re-qui-əm | 're-kwë-əm also 'rä- or 'rë- Definition of requiem 1: a mass for the dead 2a: a solemn chant (such as a dirge) for the repose of the dead b: something that resembles such a solemn chant 3a: a musical setting of the mass for the dead b: a musical composition in honor of the dead Synonyms for requiem Synonyms: Noun dirge, elegy, lament, therody Antonyms Examples of requiem in a Sentence *the choir will sing Mozart's Requiem *I hope that Leopold and his friends had a requiem for the wolf family they killed. In my opinion, animals, like people, should be honored by a funeral service after their death. 12. Page 12 of 13 Theoretical adjective the-ə-ret-i-cal | 'thë-ə-'re-t-i-kəl , 'thir-'ə-t-i-kəl variants: or less commonly theoretic, thë-ə-'re-t-ik , 'thir-'ə-t-ik Definition of theoretical 1: existing only in theory : HYPOTHETICAL *gave as an example a theoretical situation 2a: relating to or having the character of theory . ABSTRACT b: confined to theory or speculation often in contrast to practical applications : SPECULATIVE *theoretical physics 3: given to or skilled in theorizing *a brilliant theoretical physicist Synonyms for theoretical Synonyms: Noun academic (also academical), conjectural, hypothetical, speculative, suppositional Antonyms actual, factual, real Examples of theoretical in a Sentence *On a theoretical level, hiring more people seems logical. *The idea is purely theoretical at this point. *One thing I like about Leopold's book is that the essays are not just theoretical. His essays are based on concrete observations and experiences, not just theory. 13. Page 13 of 13 Vehement adjective ve-he-ment | 'vë-ə-mənt Definition of vehement : marked by forceful energy : POWERFUL *a vehement wind: such as a: intensely emotional : IMPASSIONED, FERVID *vehement patriotism b(1): deeply felt *a vehement suspicion (2): forcibly expressed *vehement denunciations c: bitterly antagonistic *a vehement debate Other Words from vehement vehemently adverb Synonyms & Antonyms for vehement Synonyms: Noun aggressive, assertive, dynamic, emphatic, energetic, forceful, full-blooded, Antonyms nonassertive, nonemphatic, unemphatic Examples of vehement in a Sentence *Cranes rise above the old rooftops, adding new office towers and new condominiums and new malls to a city where Jonathan Swift once issued his vehement bulletins.— Pete Hamill, Gourmet, April 2007 *Leopold has definite, strong convictions about nature, but he expresses them in a calm rather than a vehement manner. I know that you would like his friendly style of writing.

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