

Chapter 6 Word List

Group A

adjust (*verb*) 1. to adapt; 2. to become accustomed to

coarse (*adjective*) 1. not fine; 2. rough

convention (*noun*) an assembly of people meeting for some particular purpose

forbidding (*adjective*) 1. causing fear; 2. looking dangerous or unpleasant

imperfect (*adjective*) not perfect; flawed

irrigation (*noun*) a supplying of land with water

legislator (*noun*) a member of a group that makes laws

oblige (*verb*) 1. to make a person thankful or grateful; 2. to require; 3. to do a favor for

shellac (*noun*) a type of varnish used as a wood filler and finish

squeamish (*adjective*) easily sickened

Group B

administrator (*noun*) a person who manages or directs

compromise (*verb*) to settle differences by agreeing that each side will give up part of what it demands

course (*noun*) 1. the route or direction taken by something; 2. a line of action; 3. a way of doing something;
(*verb*) to flow quickly

haggard (*adjective*) 1. looking worn, pale, and exhausted; 2. fatigued or worried

irritate (*verb*) 1. to provoke impatience or anger; 2. to annoy

observe (*verb*) 1. to watch; 2. to notice; 3. to show regard for

ravine (*noun*) a long, deep, narrow valley usually worn down by running water

sinister (*adjective*) 1. threatening; 2. evil; 3. dishonest

sterilize (*verb*) to free from living germs

vault (*verb*) to jump or leap over something using some kind of support, such as a pole or the hands

Additional Words

Challenge Words

deflect (*verb*) to turn aside

deteriorate (*verb*) to become worse in quality or value

devastate (*verb*) 1. to destroy; 2. to overwhelm

diffuse (*adjective*) 1. not concentrated; 2. scattered;
(*verb*) to spread out

dissension (*noun*) 1. disagreement; 2. continuous quarreling

Word Study: Analogies

An analogy is a comparison between different things. Read and study the following analogies. Decide how the words in each analogy are related.

Sing is to **song** as **read** is to **story**.

Date is to **calendar** as **time** is to **clock**.

Rich is to **wealthy** as **ill** is to **sick**.