

# Chapter 6 Word List

## Word List

**administration** (*noun*) 1. the managing of a business, school, or office; 2. authoritative control over the business of others

**bankrupt** (*adjective*) unable to pay debts as declared by a court of law

**churn** (*verb*) to stir or shake

**convert** (*verb*) to change from one form or use to another

**destructive** (*adjective*) 1. devastating; 2. destroying

**disrespect** (*noun*) 1. rudeness; 2. impoliteness

**engulf** (*verb*) 1. to swallow up or enclose; 2. to overwhelm

**friction** (*noun*) a scraping of one thing against another

**gully** (*noun*) a trench made by heavy rains or running water

**inept** (*adjective*) clumsy or awkward

**liberate** (*verb*) 1. to set free; 2. to deliver; 3. to release

**negotiate** (*verb*) 1. to come to an agreement; 2. to talk about

**obligation** (*noun*) a duty under personal feeling or law

**pioneer** (*noun*) a person who settles in new territory, preparing it for others;  
(*verb*) to prepare or open up for others to follow

**rage** (*verb*) to speak or act furiously;  
(*noun*) anger; violent fury

**scoundrel** (*noun*) a person without honor or good principles

**spectrum** (*noun*) a band of color formed when light is dispersed through a prism

**splendor** (*noun*) 1. extreme brightness; 2. magnificence

**trudge** (*verb*) to walk with effort

**warrant** (*noun*) 1. a reason that gives a right; 2. authority;  
(*verb*) to justify or give a good reason for

## Additional Words

### Challenge Words

**braggart** (*noun*) one who boasts loudly

**corrupt** (*verb*) to change from good to bad in values or actions;  
(*adjective*) characterized by morally wrong behavior

**embezzle** (*verb*) to use others' money or property for one's own personal gain

**hardy** (*adjective*) 1. capable of withstanding harsh conditions; 2. brave

**mar** (*verb*) to injure, harm, or destroy

### Word Study: Prefixes

These prefixes tell about number.

The prefixes *uni-* and *mono-* mean "one."

The prefix *bi-* means "two."

The prefix *tri-* means "three."

**unicellular** (*noun*) having one cell

**monologue** (*noun*) a speech given by one person

**monorail** (*noun*) a single rail

**bicycle** (*noun*) a vehicle with two wheels

**bipolar** (*adjective*) having two poles

**triangle** (*noun*) a figure with three angles

**tricolor** (*adjective*) having three colors

**tricycle** (*noun*) a vehicle with three wheels