

# Chapter 7 Word List

## Word List

**adventurous** (*adjective*) 1. fond of risk; 2. full of hazard or danger

**beacon** (*noun*) a light used as a signal to warn or guide

**civilize** (*verb*) to advance from a primitive way of life

**correspond** (*verb*) 1. to agree; 2. to exchange letters with another

**detach** (*verb*) 1. to remove or unfasten; 2. to separate

**dissolve** (*verb*) 1. to become liquid; 2. to end

**enlist** (*verb*) 1. to get help; 2. to secure support and aid; 3. to voluntarily go into the armed forces or another group

**gaseous** (*adjective*) in a form that has neither a definite shape nor volume

**harbor** (*noun*) a sheltered place for ships;  
(*verb*) to provide shelter to

**inevitable** (*adjective*) 1. something that is sure or certain; 2. unavoidable

**literal** (*adjective*) 1. word for word; 2. exact; 3. precise

**nonabrasive** (*adjective*) not causing irritation

**obscure** (*adjective*) 1. unknown; 2. unclear;  
(*verb*) 1. to hide from view; 2. to dim or darken

**pedestrian** (*noun*) 1. one who walks; 2. a person who travels by foot

**pore** (*noun*) a very tiny opening;  
(*verb*) to gaze at or examine long and steadily

**react** (*verb*) to respond to something or someone

**serene** (*adjective*) 1. peaceful; 2. calm; 3. quiet

**sprawl** (*verb*) to spread out in an irregular or awkward manner

**uphold** (*verb*) 1. to support; 2. to not let down

**weave** (*verb*) 1. to go by twisting and turning; 2. to interlace threads to make a cloth

## Additional Words

### Challenge Words

**cater** (*verb*) to supply or provide what is required

**dialogue** (*noun*) 1. an exchange of words between persons; 2. a conversation

**expendable** (*adjective*) normally used and easily replaced

**magnitude** (*noun*) the importance or quality of something

**regime** (*noun*) 1. regular pattern or process of action; 2. a form of government

### Word Study: Suffixes

The suffix *-ic* means "having the characteristic of" or "relating to."

**angelic** (*adjective*) like an angel

**artistic** (*adjective*) of art or artists

**athletic** (*adjective*) like an athlete

**dramatic** (*adjective*) having to do with plays

**historic** (*adjective*) important in history

**photographic** (*adjective*) relating to photography