Word Quest 5

List 14 · Society and rules 3

Vocabulary and example	Write it

powerless adj. /ˈpaʊələs/

without power to control or change things

We felt **powerless** to stop the flood.

prejudice n. /ˈpredʒuːdɪs/

an unfair opinion about someone, not based on facts

Family: prejudices · prejudiced (adj.)

Prejudice against older workers is common.

prohibit v. /prəˈhɪbɪt/

to officially forbid

Family: prohibits · prohibited · prohibition (n.)

Smoking is **prohibited** in the building.

province n. /ˈprɒvɪns/

a large part of a country with its own local government

Family: provinces · provincial (adj.)

Zhejiang **Province** is on the east coast.

rally n./v. /ˈræli/

a large public meeting to support something; also, to come together

Family: rallies · rallied

Thousands joined the **rally** for clean air.

ransom n. /ˈrænsəm/

money asked for to free someone who has been taken

Family: ransoms

The kidnappers asked for a huge **ransom**.

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regime n. /reɪˈʒiːm/

a government, especially one that is not elected

Family: regimes

The old **regime** fell in 1989.

1989

register v./n. /ˈredʒɪstə/

to put your name on an official list

Family: registers · registered · registration (n.)

You must **register** for the course by Friday.

regulate v. /ˈregjʊleɪt/

to control something with rules

Family: regulates · regulated · regulation (n.)

The government **regulates** food safety.

represent v. /ˌreprɪˈzent/

to act or speak for someone; also, to be a sign of

Family: represents · represented · representative (n.)

She **represents** our school at the competition.

revolution n. /ˌrevəˈluːʃn/

a sudden big change, often in government

Family: revolutions · revolutionary (adj.)

The internet started a **revolution** in communication.

sergeant n. /ˈsɑːdʒənt/

an officer in the army or police

Family: sergeants **Tip:** Pronounced SAR-jent.

The **sergeant** gave the orders.

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stereotype n. /ˈsterɪəʊtaɪp/

a fixed, simple idea about a type of person, often wrong

Family: stereotypes

It's a **stereotype** that boys don't cry.

suspicion n. /səˈspɪʃn/

a feeling that something is wrong or someone is guilty

Family: suspicions · suspicious (adj.)

I have a **suspicion** that he's lying.

territory n. /ˈterɪtəri/

land that belongs to a country or animal

Family: territories

Wolves defend their **territory**.

unify v. /ˈjuːnɪfaɪ/

to join together into one

Family: unifies · unified · unification (n.)

Qin Shi Huang **unified** China in 221 BC.

221

voluntary adj. /ˈvɒləntəri/

done because you want to, not because you must

Family: voluntarily (adv.) · volunteer (n.)

The after-school club is **voluntary**.

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