Word Quest 6

List 21 · Describing things 2

Vocabulary and example	Write it
devoid adj. /dɪ'vɔɪd/ completely without something **Use it with:** devoid of The room was **devoid** of furniture.	
dilapidated adj. /dɪ'læpɪdeɪtɪd/ old and in very bad condition They lived in a **dilapidated** farmhouse.	
din n. /dɪn/ a loud, unpleasant noise that continues I couldn't hear over the **din** of the traffic.	
distort v. /dɪ'stɔːt/ to change the shape or meaning of something so it's no longer true **Family:** distorts · distorted · distortion (n.) The newspaper **distorted** his words.	
dynamics n. /daɪ'næmɪks/ the way people or forces affect each other **Family:** dynamic (adj.) **Use it with:** group dynamics The **dynamics** of the team changed.	
elaborate adj./v. /ɪ'læbəreɪt/ detailed and complicated; or to give more details **Family:** elaborates · elaborated **Use it with:** elaborate on **Tip:** Adjective ends like "it"; verb ends like "late". She made an **elaborate** plan.	

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elusive adj. /ɪˈluːsɪv/ hard to find, catch or remember **Family:** elude (v.) Success remained **elusive**.	
erroneous adj. /eˈrəʊnɪəs/ wrong; not correct **Family:** erroneously (adv.) **Tip:** Formal. The report contained **erroneous** information.	
essence n. /ˈesəns/ the most important part or quality of something **Family:** essential (adj.) **Use it with:** in essence Kindness is the **essence** of friendship.	
facilitate v. /fəˈsɪlɪteɪt/ to make something easier **Family:** facilitates · facilitated The new road will **facilitate** trade.	
feeble adj. /ˈfiːbl/ very weak **Family:** feebly (adv.) The old man's voice was **feeble**.	
flank n./v. /flæŋk/ the side of something; also, to be at the side of **Family:** flanks · flanked The president was **flanked** by guards.	

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fracture n./v. /ˈfræktʃə/

a crack or break, especially in a bone

Family: fractures · fractured

She has a **fracture** in her arm.

harmonize v. /ˈhɑːmənaɪz/

to go well together; also, to sing different notes that sound good together

Family: harmonizes · harmonized **Tip:** British English also writes “harmonise”.

The colours **harmonize** perfectly.

homogeneous adj. /ˌhɒməˈdʒiːniəs/

all of the same kind

Tip: Opposite: heterogeneous.

The class isn’t **homogeneous**: students come from ten countries.

immense adj. /ɪˈmens/

extremely large

Family: immensely (adv.)

The project needed an **immense** effort.

imperative adj./n. /ɪmˈperətɪv/

extremely important and urgent

It’s **imperative** that you arrive on time.

inferior adj. /ɪnˈfɪərɪə/

not as good as something else

Family: inferiority (n.) **Use it with:** inferior to **Tip:** Opposite: superior.

This copy is **inferior** to the original.

inherent adj. /ɪnˈhɪərənt/

being a natural, basic part of something

Family: inherently (adv.)

Risk is **inherent** in any sport.

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inseparable adj. /ɪn'sepərəbl/

always together; impossible to separate

The two friends are **inseparable**.

integral adj. /'ɪntɪgrəl/

necessary and important as part of a whole

Music is an **integral** part of the festival.

intimate adj. /'ɪntɪmət/

very close and personal

Family: intimately (adv.)

They had an **intimate** dinner with close friends.

intrinsic adj. /ɪn'trɪnsɪk/

belonging to the basic nature of something

Family: intrinsically (adv.)

The ring has little **intrinsic** value.

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