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'stɔ:t/

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. /ɪ'lu:sɪv/

hard to find, catch or remember

Family: elude (v.)

Success remained **elusive**.

erroneous adj. /e'rəʊnɪəs/

wrong; not correct

Family: erroneously (adv.) **Tip:** Formal.

The report contained **erroneous** information.

essence n. /'esəns/

the most important part or quality of something

Family: essential (adj.) **Use it with:** in essence

Kindness is the **essence** of friendship.

facilitate v. /fə'sɪlɪteɪt/

to make something easier

Family: facilitates · facilitated

The new road will **facilitate** trade.

feeble adj. /'fi:bl/

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. /ɪnˈsepərəbl/

always together; impossible to separate

The two friends are **inseparable**.

integral adj. /ˈɪntɪgrəl/

necessary and important as part of a whole

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

intimate adj. /ˈɪntɪmət/

very close and personal

Family: intimately (adv.)

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

intrinsic adj. /ɪnˈtrɪnsɪk/

belonging to the basic nature of something

Family: intrinsically (adv.)

The ring has little **intrinsic** value.