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**Vocab Assignment**

**Assaults:** make a physical attack on.

Tom currently faces charges of aggravated **assault**

**Clustered:** growing or situated in a group.

The small **cluster** of seeds was all bunched up in a tight bag.

**Communication:** the imparting or exchanging of information or news.

The **communication** from California to Spain wasn’t so good.

**Contemptuous:** showing contempt; scornful.

She did not sit down but looked at him with a **contemptuous** smile, waiting for the valet to go.

**Crevices:** a narrow opening or fissure, especially in a rock or wall.

Sally was afraid when the wasps decided to nest in a **crevice** above her front door.

**Dignity:** the state or quality of being worthy of honor or respect.

It is important for children in sport to learn to both win and lose with **dignity**.

**Experiment:** a scientific procedure undertaken to make a discovery, test a hypothesis, or demonstrate a known fact.

We have been **experimenting** with different kinds of vegetable drinks since we bought an electric juicer.

**Extravagant:** lacking restraint in spending money or using resources.

This diamond ring is too **extravagant** for me.

**Hibiscus:** a plant of the mallow family, grown in warm climates for its large brightly colored flowers or for products such as fiber or timber.

My mom made a wonderful **hibiscus** drink.

**Irresponsible:** (of a person, attitude, or action) not showing a proper sense of responsibility.

My brother is **irresponsible** because he forgets his homework at home.

**Perplexed:** completely baffled; very puzzled.

The sudden eruption of fire left the entire neighborhood **perplexed**, shocked and traumatized.

**Procession:** a number of people or vehicles moving forward in an orderly fashion, especially as part of a ceremony or festival.

The **procession** was led all the way to the church

**Rash:** displaying or proceeding from a lack of careful consideration of the possible consequences of an action.

Poison Ivy caused me to get a **rash**.

**Self-conscious:** feeling undue awareness of oneself, one's appearance, or one's actions.

Kim was still **self-conscious** after the fall.

**Solemn:** formal and dignified.

The Veterans' Day ceremonies were a very **solemn** occasion.

**Stalwart:** loyal, reliable, and hardworking.

 The **stalwart** parents who attended their children’s hockey game opened their umbrellas.

**Swabbed**: clean (a wound or surface) with a swab.

Sally **swabbed** the wound.

**Understatement:** the presentation of something as being smaller, worse, or less important than it actually is.

Thomas thought that the tumor in his head was an **understatement.**