# Week 5 – Day 1

**It Pays to Increase your Word Power!**

In the following list of words, circle the letter of the word or phrase you believe is ***nearest in meaning*** to the key word.

1. homily : A) moral discourse B) humbleness C) simplicity D) dignity

2. pillory: A) to protect B) hold up to ridicule C) flatter D) heap up

3. stilted: A) stiffly formal B) irresolute C) determined D) cordial

4. insurgent: A) ambitious B) overflowing C) rebellious D) victorious

5. repository: A) place for storing B)state of idleness C) monastery

D) state of rest

6. incursion: A) journey B) revolt C) robbery D) hostile invasion

7. immune: A) non-talkative B) protected against disease C) numb

D) stupid

8. objurgation: A) prayer of entreaty B) solemn command C) severe rebuke

D) curse

9. maladroit: A) feigning illness B) malicious C) skillful D) awkward

10. eventuate: A) to experience B) fade away C) come to pass D) plan

**Week 5 – Day 2**

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In the following list of words, circle the letter of the word or phrase you believe is ***nearest in meaning*** to the key word.

1. efficacy: A) fussiness B) effectiveness C) tendency to thrust one’s services upon another without invitation D) enthusiasm

2. illusory: A) temporary B) vanished C) dishonest D) deceptive

3. amicable: A) amusing B) belligerent C) friendly D) cheerful

4. implacable: A) irritable B) unjustifiable C) peaceful D) irreconcilable

5. coalition: A) compromise B) defeat C) alliance D) triumph

6. clement: A) harsh B) merciful C) strong D) just

7. ukase: A) court decision B) Russian ruler C) table ornament

D) official decree

8. redound: A) to sidestep B) come as a result C) grow large

D) make famous

9. amelioration: A) pleasure B) act of apologizing C) improvement

D) humiliation

10. polemical: A) controversial B) pertaining to electrical poles C) eloquent

D) scholarly

**Week 5 – Day 3**

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Even the most familiar words are sometimes misused. In the following list of words, circle the letter of the word or phrase you believe is ***nearest in meaning*** to the key word.

1. vicarious: A) experienced through substitution B) doubtful C) cruel

D) hazardous

2. familial: A) well known B) comfortable C) intimate

D) relating to a family

3. occidental: A) western B) mystical C) shadowy D) eastern

4. posture: A) deception B) relative position C) conceit D) hypothesis

5. mutable: A) inaudible B) pliable C) not constant D) incapable of speech

6. impetus: A) hindrance B) stimulus C) effect D) impatience

7. solicitude: A) heartiness B) quiet C) begging D) care

8. rescind: A) to release B) burn C) annul D) send back

9. credential: A) right B) testimonial C) indebtedness D) belief

10. glossary: A) dictionary B) bibliography C) specialized vocabulary

D) unfinished photograph

**Week 5 – Day 4**

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1. claimant : A) one who asserts a right B) noisy person C) complainer

D) contracting party

2. exponent: A) opposite B) forerunner C) former foe D) one who explains

3. elide: A) to slip away B) avoid C) eliminate D) hit violently

4. diffident: A) casual B) shy C) odd D) neutral

5. irascible: A) jumpy B) sullen C) capable of being erased

D) quick-tempered

6. refute: A) to disprove B) reject C) oppose D) debate

7. virulent: A) potent B) inactive C) poisonous D) intense

8. locution: A) style of speaking B) motion C) pompous eloquence D) site

9. maternal: A) sentimental B) peaceful C) affectionate D) motherly

10. concave: A) cylindrical B) hollowed inward C) bottomless

D) curving outward