**VOCABULARY QUIZ #1 : WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH**

1. egotist – self-centered person
2. altruist – generous person/helping others
3. introvert –private person
4. extrovert – outgoing sociable person
5. pragmatist – practical person
6. virtuous – moral/righteous
7. candid – open and honest
8. venal – corrupt / bribable
9. unscrupulous – immoral
10. prudent – thoughtful
11. sophomoric – juvenile
12. callow – immature
13. timorous – shy
14. craven – cowardly
15. intrepid – brave
16. audacious – bold
17. decisive – able to reach a firm decision
18. resolute – very determined
19. vacillate – waver back and forth
20. ambivalent – having mixed feelings
21. elated – very happy
22. ecstatic – delirious with joy
23. dejected – gloomy
24. despondent – feel all hope is lost
25. clandestine – secretive / hidden
26. nefarious – wicked / villainous
27. perfidious – disloyal
28. devious – underhanded / unfair
29. affable – friendly / pleasant
30. abate – subside

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #2: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13TH**

1. vivacious – filled with life
2. gregarious – sociable
3. optimistic – seeing only the good in things
4. pessimistic – gloomy outlook on life
5. exasperating – irritating / annoying
6. supercilious – arrogant / haughty
7. cantankerous – grouchy / cranky
8. distraught – filled with anxiety or worry
9. apathetic – uninterested / unfeeling
10. zealous – passionate
11. animosity – great dislike or ill will
12. empathy – great compassion
13. eloquent – articulate / expressive
14. lucid – very clear or easy to follow
15. loquacious – very talkative
16. persuasive – convincing
17. convoluted – very intricate and hard to follow
18. vigorous – active / energetic
19. ardent – filled with passion
20. lethargic – drowsy / lazy
21. abridge – condensed or shortened
22. absolute – certain
23. abstract – not concrete
24. acrimonious – bitter in words or manner
25. acute – perceptive or keen
26. keen – sharp senses
27. adroit – skillful
28. alleviate – relieve
29. ambiguous – unclear in meaning
30. ambivalence – conflicting emotional attitudes

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #3: TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 17TH**

1. amorphous – lacking for or shape
2. analogy – similarity
3. anarchist – person trying to overturn the government
4. anecdote – short account of an event
5. antidote – medicine
6. arbitrary – randomly selected
7. assuage – to ease or lessen in pain / satisfy hunger
8. astute – wise
9. augment – increase
10. banal – hackneyed
11. hackneyed – overused phrase / unoriginal
12. belie – contradict
13. belligerent – quarrelsome
14. benign – kindly
15. biased – prejudiced
16. brevity – briefness
17. candor – straight to the point / blunt
18. concur – to agree
19. condone – to forgive or overlook
20. confound – confuse / puzzle
21. conscientious – careful
22. consensus – general agreement
23. consistency – uniformity
24. cordial – gracious
25. daunt – intimidate
26. dawdle – waste time
27. decorum – good manners
28. defame – harm someone’s reputation
29. deplore – regret strongly
30. depravity – corruption

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #4: THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19TH**

1. detrimental – harmful / damaging
2. devise – plan
3. devious – erratic / not straight forward
4. didactic – teaching
5. digression – wandering away from the subject
6. diligence – persistent hard work
7. discerning – mentally quick
8. discredit – defame
9. discrepancy – lack of consistency
10. disdain – contempt
11. dismantle – take apart
12. disparage – belittle
13. dispel – drive away
14. disseminate – distribute or spread
15. dissuade – advise against
16. persuade – advise for
17. diverse – various
18. divulge – reveal
19. doctrine – teachings or principles
20. dogmatic – opinionated
21. dormant – sleeping or lethargic
22. ebb – recede or lessen
23. eccentric – odd or irregular
24. eclectic – variety of sources
25. effervescent – bubbly or excited
26. elusive – evasive
27. emulate – imitate
28. enigma – puzzle or mystery
29. ephemeral – short lived
30. erratic – unpredictable

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #5: MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23RD**

1. erroneous – wrong
2. esoteric – hard to understand
3. esteem – respect or value
4. euphemism – mild expression used in place of an unpleasant one
5. euphoria – feeling of great happiness
6. exacerbate – worsen
7. exemplary – serving as a role model
8. exonerate – acquit
9. expedite – hasten
10. hasten – be quick to do something
11. explicit – totally clear
12. expository – intended to explain
13. facile – easily accomplished
14. fallacious – false
15. fickle – changeable
16. figurative – not literal
17. fluctuate – waiver
18. fortuitous – accidental
19. foster – encourage
20. frivolous – relatively unimportant
21. furtive – sneaky
22. futile – ineffective
23. garrulous – talkative / loquacious
24. glutton- greedy person
25. gravity – seriousness
26. guile – deceit
27. gullible – easily deceived
28. hedonist – one who believes pleasure is the sole aim in life
29. heed – consider
30. heresy – an opinion contrary to popular belief

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #6: WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH**

1. heterogeneous – mixed
2. hierarchy – arrangement by rank or standing
3. hindrance – block or obstacle
4. hoard – stockpile or accumulate
5. homogeneous – of the same kind
6. hone – sharpen
7. hyperbole – overstatement
8. hypocritical – deceiving
9. hypothetical – based on assumptions
10. iconoclast – one who attacks
11. idiosyncrasy – odd in nature
12. illicit – illegal
13. immaculate – spotless or flawless
14. immune – resistant to or exempt from
15. impartial – not biased
16. impassive – without feeling
17. impede – block or delay
18. imperious – haughty
19. impervious – impenetrable
20. impetuous – violent or hasty
21. implausible – unlikely
22. impoverished – poor
23. inane – silly
24. inaugurate – start or initiate
25. incentive – motive
26. incessant – uninterrupted
27. incisive – sharp or keen
28. incoherent – muddled or illogical
29. incorrigible – uncorrectable
30. indefatigable – tireless

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #7: FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 27TH**

1. indict – to charge
2. indifferent – lacking concern
3. indigenous – native
4. indigent – poor
5. indolent – lazy
6. induce – persuade or bring about
7. indulge – to humor
8. industrious – diligent or hard working
9. inept – incompetent
10. infamous – notoriously bad
11. infer – conclude
12. infiltrate – penetrate
13. infraction – violation
14. ingenious – clever
15. ingrate – ungrateful person
16. inherent – intrinsic or innate
17. innate – inborn
18. innocuous – harmless
19. inopportune – untimely
20. insatiable – greedy
21. insightful – perceptive
22. insinuate – imply or hint at
23. insipid – lacking flavor
24. insolvent – bankrupt
25. insurgent – rebellious
26. intangible – not material
27. integrity – wholeness or morality
28. intermittent – periodic
29. intervene – come between
30. intimidate – frighten

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #8: TUESDAY OCTOBER 1ST**

1. intrepid – fearless
2. intricate – complex
3. intrinsic – natural
4. introspective – looking within oneself
5. intuition – insight
6. inundate – overwhelm
7. irascible – easily angered
8. ironic – sarcastic
9. irreverence – lacking respect
10. jocular – joking
11. judicious – wise
12. kindle – inspire
13. labyrinth – maze
14. laconic – brief and to the point
15. lament – grieve
16. laud – praise
17. lavish – liberal
18. levity – lack of seriousness
19. loathe – detest
20. lurid – wild and graphic
21. magnanimous – generous
22. maladroit – clumsy
23. malevolent – wishing evil
24. malice – hatred
25. marred – disfigured
26. meager – inadequate
27. meek – quiet and obedient
28. melancholy – gloomy
29. methodical – systematic
30. meticulous – excessively careful

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #9: THURSDAY OCTOBER 3RD**

1. misanthrope – one who hates mankind
2. miserly – stingy / mean
3. misnomer – wrong name
4. mock – ridicule
5. mollify – soothe
6. monotony – sameness leading to boredom
7. morbid – unwholesome thought
8. morose – sullen or melancholy
9. mundane – worldly
10. munificent – very generous
11. naivete – gullibility
12. nefarious – very wicked
13. negate – deny
14. nonchalance – indifference
15. nostalgia – longing for the past
16. notoriety – ill fame
17. novice – beginner
18. nullify – void
19. nurture – nourish
20. obdurate – stubborn
21. obliterate – destroy completely
22. oblivious – inattentive
23. obstinate – stubborn
24. obtuse – stupid
25. ominous – threatening
26. opulence – abundance
27. orator – public speaker
28. ostentatious – trying to attract attention
29. pacifist – one opposed to force
30. paltry – insignificant or trifling

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #10: MONDAY OCTOBER 7TH**

1. paradigm – model or example
2. paradox – contradictory in nature
3. paragon – model of perfection
4. parochial – narrow in outlook
5. parody – humorous imitation
6. parsimony – stinginess
7. partisan – prejudiced
8. passive – not active
9. paucity – scarcity
10. pedantic – showing off learning
11. penchant – strong inclination
12. pensive – dreamily thoughtful
13. perceptive – aware or wise
14. peripheral – outer
15. perjury – false testimony
16. pernicious – destructive
17. perpetuate – make something last
18. perturb – disturb greatly
19. petty – trivial
20. petulant – touchy
21. phenomena – observable facts
22. philanthropist – lover of mankind
23. pious- religious
24. pivotal – crucial or key
25. placate – pacify
26. platitude – commonplace statement
27. plausible – possibly true but open to doubt
28. plight – predicament
29. poignancy – deeply moving
30. polemical – aggressive verbal attack

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #11: WEDNESDAY OCOTBER 9TH**

1. ponderous – weighty
2. potent – powerful
3. pragmatic – practical
4. precarious – uncertain or risky
5. precipitate – rash or premature
6. precipitous – steep
7. preclude – eliminate
8. predecessor – former occupant of a post
9. predilection – preference
10. preposterous – absurd or ridiculous
11. presumptuous – overconfident
12. pretentious – pompous or over ambitious
13. proclivity – natural tendency
14. procrastinate – postpone
15. prodigal – reckless with money
16. prodigious – enormous
17. prodigy – highly gifted child
18. prolific – abundantly fruitful
19. prologue – introduction to a poem or play
20. propriety – correct conduct
21. provocative – arousing anger or interest
22. proximity – nearness
23. prudent – cautious or careful
24. pugnacity – disposition to fight
25. quandary – dilemma
26. quell – put down / quiet
27. querulous – whining
28. quiescent – dormant
29. ramble – wander aimlessly
30. rancor – hatred

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #12: FRIDAY OCTOBER 11TH**

1. ratify – verify
2. raucous – harsh and shrill
3. raze – destroy completely
4. rebuttal – response with contrary evidence
5. recant – retract a previous statement
6. receptive – willing to receive ideas
7. recluse – hermit or loner
8. rectify – make correct
9. redundant – repetitious
10. refute – disprove
11. relevant – pertinent
12. relinquish – give up
13. relish – savor or enjoy
14. remorse – guilt
15. renegade – traitor
16. renounce – abandon
17. repress – hold back
18. reproach – express disapproval
19. rescind – cancel
20. resolve – determination
21. restraint – controlling one’s actions
22. reticent – inclined to be silent
23. reverent – respectful
24. rhetorical – insincere in language
25. rigorous – demanding or severe
26. robust – strong
27. rudimentary – elementary
28. ruthless – cruel
29. sagacious – perceptive or shrewd
30. sage – a person with wisdom

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #13: TUESDAY OCTOBER 15TH**

1. sanctuary – holy place
2. sarcasm – scornful remarks
3. satirical – mocking
4. saturate – soak thoroughly
5. savory – tasty
6. scanty – insufficient
7. scrupulous – extremely thorough
8. scrutinize – examine closely
9. seclusion – solitude
10. sedentary – requiring sitting
11. sequester – isolate
12. serenity – calmness
13. sever – cut or separate
14. shrewd – clever
15. slander – defamation of character
16. slothful – lazy
17. solemnity – seriousness
18. solicit – request
19. somber – gloomy or depressed
20. sparse – thinly scattered
21. sporadic – occurring irregularly
22. spurn – reject or scorn
23. squander – waster
24. stagnant – motionless
25. stoic – unmoved by joy or grief
26. stupefy – stun or amaze
27. subdued – less intense
28. submissive – yielding or timid
29. subside – settle down
30. substantiate – prove or verify with evidence

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #14: THURSDAY OCTOBER 17TH**

1. succinct – brief or compact
2. supercilious – arrogant
3. superficial – trivial or shallow
4. superfluous – overabundant
5. supplant – replace
6. suppress – subdue
7. surmount – overcome
8. surpass – exceed or go beyond
9. surreptitious – secret or furtive
10. susceptible – easily influenced
11. sustain – support or nourish
12. swindler – cheat
13. taciturn – habitually silent
14. taint – lose purity
15. tangible – able to be touched
16. tantamount – equivalent in effect or value
17. tedious – boring or tiring
18. tenacity – persistence
19. tentative – experimental
20. terse – concise or abrupt
21. thrive – prosper or flourish
22. tirade – scolding
23. tranquility – calmness or peace
24. transcendent – surpassing
25. transient – temporary
26. trepidation – fear
27. trifling – trivial or unimportant
28. trite – commonplace / hackneyed
29. trivial – unimportant
30. turmoil – confusion or commotion

**VOCABULARY QUIZ #15: MONDAY OCTOBER 21ST**

1. tyranny – cruel government
2. undermine – weaken
3. uniformity – sameness
4. universal – present everywhere
5. unkempt – not caring about appearance
6. unprecedented – novel / unparalleled
7. unwarranted – unjustified
8. usurp – seize power or rank
9. vacillate – waver or fluctuate
10. venerate – revere or hold in high esteem
11. veracity – truthfulness
12. verbose – wordy
13. viable – workable / capable of containing life
14. vigor – active strength
15. vilify – slander
16. vindicate – clear from blame
17. vindictive – out for revenge
18. virtuoso – skilled artist
19. virulent – extremely poisonous
20. volatile – explosive
21. voluble – talkative / loquacious
22. voluminous – bulky or large
23. whimsical – fanciful
24. willful – headstrong
25. zealot – fanatic
26. ornate – elaborately decorated
27. opaque – dark
28. perfunctory – superficial
29. pithy – concise or meaningful
30. instigate – start