

Level C Unit 7

1. acme (n.) the highest point
2. attribute (n.) a quality or characteristic belonging to or associated with someone or something; (v.) to assign to, credit with; to regard as caused by or resulting from
3. belittle (v.) to make something appear smaller than it is; to refer to in a way that suggests lack of importance or value
4. convey (v.) to transport; to transmit; to communicate, make known; to transfer ownership or title to
5. doctrine (n.) a belief, principle, or teaching; a system of such beliefs or principles; a formulation of such beliefs or principles
6. excise (n.) an indirect tax on the manufacture, sale, or distribution of a commodity or service; (v.) to remove by cutting
7. exotic (adj.) foreign; charmingly unfamiliar or strikingly unusual
8. haggard (adj.) thin, pale, and careworn as a result of worry or suffering; wild-looking
9. jaunty (adj.) lively, easy, and carefree in manner; smart or trim in appearance
10. juncture (n.) a joining together; the point at which two things are joined; any important point in time
11. menial (n.) a person who does the humble and unpleasant tasks; (adj.) lowly, humble, lacking importance or dignity
12. parry (n.) a defensive movement in fencing and other sports; (v.) to ward off, fend off, evade, avoid
13. predatory (adj.) preying on, plundering, or piratical
14. ravage (n.) ruinous damage, destruction; (v.) to destroy, lay waste, ruin
15. stance (n.) a way of holding the body; an attitude or position on an issue
16. tawdry (adj.) showy and flashy but lacking in good taste
17. turncoat (n.) a person who switches to an opposing side or party
18. unassuming (adj.) not putting on airs, unpretentious; modest
19. wallow (n.) a wet, muddy, or dusty area used by animals as a sort of bath; a state of moral or physical collapse; (v.) to roll about in a lazy, clumsy, or helpless way; to overindulge in; to have in abundance
20. waver (v.) to move to and fro, become unsteady; to show lack of firmness or decision