VOCABULARY WEEK # 12

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| Word | Definition |
| inflict | To give or cause something unpleasant, impose |
| luster | The quality of giving off light, brightness, glitter, brilliance |
| barren | Not productive, bare |
| cache | A hiding place, something hidden or stored |
| fallible | Capable of being wrong, mistaken, or inaccurate |
| heartrending | Causing mental pain or grief |
| inflammable | Easily set on fire; easily angered |
| Text structure | The patterns and structures of text |
| inference | An idea the author does not directly state |
| narrative | Can be biographical (shares an important experience from someone else’s life), fictional (tells a made-up story), or personal (shares an important experience from the writer’s life) |

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| **HOMONYMS WEEK 12** | |
| **Already-tells when**  We have already eaten lunch. | **All ready-phrase meaning completely ready**—We are all ready for school. |
| **Dear-loved or valued**  My dear, grandmother bakes the best cookies. | **Deer-an animal**  The deer ate all my flowers. |
| **Ware- a product to be sold**  The French sold their wares to the Indians. | **Wear-to have on**  I have to wear my uniform tomorrow.  **Where-asks the question in what place or in what situation**  Where is the closest Old Navy store? |
| **Weather-condition of the atmosphere**  What is the weather like in Seattle? | **Whether-refers to a possibility**  My mother’s mood will decide whether I go shopping. |

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| 1. **substantive**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | Adj | Having practical importance, value, or effect | Important, weighty |
| 1. **synopsis**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | n | a condensed version of a text, e.g. a summary of the plot of a book, play, movie, or television show, a concise outline or survey of a subject | Outline, rundown |
| 1. **tenacious**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | adj | Holding fast; holding together firmly; persistent | Determined, stubborn, dogged |
| 1. **facetious**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | adj | Humorous, not meant seriously | Comical, witty, tongue in cheek |
| 1. **wretchedness**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | noun | In a state of great hardship, deprivation, and hopelessness and arousing sympathy in others | Misery, woe, dejection |

**Sample Sentences**

1. In a murder case, fingerprints are **substantive** evidence.
2. I had no time to read that report, so I read a **synopsis** of it.
3. The reporter is **tenacious** in speaking to every witness of the crime.
4. Many people at the party were offended by his **facetious** comments.
5. The **wretchedness** of his life makes me feel so sorry for him.