VOCABULARY - WEEK # 1

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| Word | Definition |
| antagonistic | Showing or expressing hostility or opposition |
| astronomy | The scientific study of the universe, especially of the motions, positions, sizes, composition, and behavior of astronomical objects |
| caloric | Thermal: relating to or associated with heat |
| fratricide | The crime of killing one’s brother |
| corporal | Relating to or affecting the body;  A noncommissioned officer in various armed forces, of a rank immediately below sergeant |
| flexible | Capable of being bent, pliable  Susceptible to influence or persuasion |
| eulogy | Spoken or written tribute; high praise |
| credibility | The ability to inspire belief or trust;  A willingness to accept something as true |
| dormitory | A large room in which many people sleep, e.g. at a boarding school or in a hostel;  A building used as living and sleeping quarters by college students |
| epicenter | The exact location on the Earth’s surface directly above the focus of an earthquake or underground nuclear explosion;  The very center or focal point |
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| **HOMONYMS WEEK 1** | |
| **Aunt –a female relative**  My aunt is my mother’s sister. | **Ant-an insect**  Spiders eat ants. |
| **Desert-hot barren wilderness, to abandon**  The desert is too hot for me.  The bird will desert its nest in the winter. | **Dessert- food served after the main meal**  My favorite dessert is anything sweet. |
| **There-opposite of here**  Put the box over there. | **Their-possessive noun**  Their dog chased my cat.  **They’re-contraction for they are**  They’re going to the picnic. |
| **Your-a possessive noun**  Your purse is just like mine. | **You’re-contraction for you are**  You’re the most important person in the room. |

ADVANCED Week 1- 8th Grade Vocab Words

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| 1. **subversive**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | adj/N | (adj) intended to undermine or overthrow; (n) one who advocates or attempts to undermine a political system | (adj) treasonous, traitorous;  (n) revolutionary |
| 1. **imperative**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | noun | (adj) Necessary, urgent; (n) a form of a verb expressing a command; that which is necessary or required. | (adj) essential, indispensable, mandatory |
| 1. **adept**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | Adj/N | (adj) Thoroughly skilled (n) an expert | (adj) masterful, accomplished, proficient; (n) expert |
| 1. **obscure**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | Adj./verb | (adj)Difficult to understand because of not being fully or clearly expressed; (v) to make something unclear, indistinct, or hidden | (adj)Vague, murky, unclear; (v) To block |
| 1. **adherent**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | N/adj | (n) a follower, supporter; (adj) attached, sticking to | (n) disciple; (adj) stuck |

**Sample Sentences**

1. At a glance, this is a deeply **subversive** film: its hero is a suicide bomber.
2. It is **imperative** that you understand how to safely evacuate the building.
3. Michael Jordan was extremely **adept** at the game of basketball.
4. Fog can make the road seem **obscure** to the driver.
5. He is an **adherent** of the Catholic religion.