Vocabulary Unit 2

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| Word | Definition |
| macrocosm | Complex structure, e.g. the world or the universe, considered as a single entity that contains numerous similar smaller-scale structures |
| semimonthly | Happening or published twice each month, usually at equal intervals |
| pseudonym | A name that is not somebody’s original name, especially one used by an author in publications |
| marine | Relating to , found in, or living in the sea;  In the military, a soldier who serves at sea as well as in the air and on land |
| puncture | A small hole or wound made by a sharp object;  To sustain a small hole or wound in something such as a tire or the skin, or cause such a hole |
| monomania | An obsessive interest in a single thing, or a preoccupation with a single idea or thought |
| periscope | A long tubular optical instrument, e.g. on a submarine, that uses lenses, prisms, and mirrors to allow a viewer to see objects not in a direct line of sight |
| suicide | The act of deliberately killing yourself |
| antacid | A drug that reduces or neutralizes stomach acid |
| scald | To burn somebody or a part of the body with hot liquid or steam;  A burn caused by hot liquid or steam |

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| **HOMONYMS WEEK 6** | |
| **Accept-to receive**  I accept this present from you. | **Except-other than**  Everyone except Zach was here. |
| **Board –piece of wood; a group or council**  I drilled hole in the board.  My mother is on the school board. | **Bored-tired of something**  I am bored with all the reality T.V. shows. |
| **Chose-past tense of choose**  Mom chose the green pencil. | **Choose-to pick**  I will choose the purple pencil. |
| **To-in the direction of**  He went to the store.  **Too-also**  Sally went, too. | **Two-a number** |

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| 1. **deluge**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl A) | n/v | (n)A great flood; a heavy fall of rain; anything that comes in vast quantity (like a flood); (v) to flood | flood |
| 1. **ravage**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | v/n | (v) To destroy, to lay waste, ruin; (n) ruinous damage, destruction | (v) wreck, destroy  (n) destruction |
| 1. **malign**   (Sadlier-Oxford Lvl D) | v/adj | (v) to speak evil of, slander; (adj) evil | (v) defame, badmouth, vilify; (adj) wicked |
| 1. **philanthropy**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | noun | A desire to improve the material, social, and spiritual welfare of humanity, especially through charitable activities | Charity, generosity, benevolence |
| 1. **aspect**   (Word 2007 dictionary) | noun | A facet, phase, or part of a whole; a view or point of view | feature, characteristic, |

**Sample Sentences:**

1. The sprinkling of rain quickly became a **deluge**.
2. The forests were **ravaged** by fire.
3. Celebrities are often **maligned** by the tabloids.
4. Bill Gates, although portrayed as greedy, is now known for his **philanthropy**.
5. He always looked at each **aspect** of a situation.