**Vocabulary Unit 3**

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| **Word** | **Definition** |
| Corporation  | A company recognized by law as a single body with its own powers and liabilities |
| Semicircle | **Half** of the area or circumference of a circle  |
| Incredulous  | Unable or unwilling to believe something or completely unconvinced by it |
| Reflex | Occurring automatically and involuntarily; An involuntary physiological reaction |
| Episode | An event that is part of but distinct from a greater whole and that often has specific significance |
| dormant | In an inactive state, when growth and development slow or cease, in order to survive adverse environmental conditions; Temporarily inactive or not in use |
| Periodic | Recurring or reappearing from time to time |
| Eureka | Expressing triumph |
| Pseudologue | Pathological liar, making up conversation  |
| lecture | An educational speech on a subject made before an audience; A lengthy reprimand or scolding concerning something |
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| **HOMONYMS WEEK 7** |
| **By-near**I live by my best friend. | **Bye-automatically advanced in a tournament**The Bears had a bye last week.I said good-bye to my visitors.**Buy-to purchase**I need to buy new pencils. |
| **It’s – the contraction of it is** It’s a fact that sugar if sweet.  | **Its-the possessive form of it**The minnow has teeth in its throat. |
| **Loose-free or untied**My pants are too loose since I lost 5 pounds. | **Lose-to fail to win**I don’t want to lose the game.**Loss-something lost**My recent weight loss is very exciting. |
| **Maid-a female servant**Our maid cleaned our hotel room each day. | **Made-past tense of make**Sarah made me promise not to tell her secret. |

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| 1. **levity**

(Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | n | A lack of seriousness or earnestness, especially about things that should be treated with respect; buoyancy, lightness in weight | Giddiness, humor |
| 1. **patriarch**
 | noun | A man who is the head of a family or group | Father |
| 1. **pseudonym**

(Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | n | A pen name, a name assumed by a writer | Nom de plume, alias |
| 1. **nonentity**

(Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | n | A person or thing of no importance | Nobody, insignificant |
| 1. **adage**

(Sadlier-Oxford Lvl C) | Adj | A Proverb. A wise saying.  | Proverb, maxim, wise saying |

**Sample Sentences**

1. The only moment of **levity** during the class came when one of the students started clucking like a chicken while working on their narrative.
2. My grandfather is the clear **patriarch** of the family.
3. For her book, the author, Ms. Creagh, decided to use a **pseudonym** and used the name Ms. Crabtree.
4. He stood there, a **nonentity**, surrounded by people of importance, feeling like nothing.
5. An old **adage** is "Cheaters never win and winners never cheat."