Vocabulary Unit One Study Guide-6th grade ELA Unit 1 TEST date

(Test is multiple choice on definitions ONLY)

**Chapter 1 words and definitions**

absolve - to find innocent or blameless

adamant - not giving in; stubborn

amiable - good-natured; friendly and pleasant

amoral - lacking a moral sense; without principles

animosity - bitter hostility

antagonist - an opponent; one who opposes or competes

eccentric - differing from what is customary; odd

encounter - a brief or unexpected meeting

epitome - a perfect or typical example

malign - to make evil and often untrue statements about; speak evil of

**Chapter 2 words and definitions**

acclaim - great praise or applause; enthusiastic approval

adjacent - close; near (to something)

elicit - to draw forth

engross - to hold the full attention of; absorb

escalate - to increase or intensify

exploit - to use selfishly or unethically; take unfair advantage of

methodical - orderly; systematic

obsolete - no longer active or in use; out of date

tangible - able to be touched; having form or matter

terminate - to stop; bring to an end

**Chapter 3 words and definitions**

allusion - an indirect reference

altruistic - unselfishly concerned for the welfare of others; unselfish

appease - to calm, especially by giving in to the demands of

arbitrary - determined by personal judgment, not rule or reason; based on impulse

assail - to attack physically or verbally

banal - lacking originality; overused; commonplace

euphemism - a mild or vague term used as a substitute for one considered offensive or unpleasant

mercenary - motivated only by financial gain; greedy

syndrome - a group of symptoms typical of a particular disease or condition

taint - to stain the honor or someone or something

**Chapter 4 words and definitions**

calamity - an event bringing great loss and misery

comprehensive - including all or much

conventional - customary; ordinary

flagrant - shockingly obvious; outrageous

fluctuate - to vary irregularly; to go up and down or back and forth

persevere - to continue with an effort or plan despite difficulties

ponder - to consider carefully; think deeply about

rehabilitate - to restore to a normal life through therapy or education

turmoil - complete confusion; uproar

venture - to take the risk of; dare

**Chapter 5 words and definitions**

attest - to make a statement about something on the basis of personal experience; bear witness; testify

attribute - a quality or feature of a person or thing

discern - to recognize; detect

dispatch - to send to a specific place or on specific business

enhance - to improve; add to the strength, beauty, or value of something

enigma - a mystery or puzzle

exemplify - to be an example of; represent; be typical of

mobile - moving or able to move from place to place

nocturnal - of, about, or happening in the night; active at night

orient - to determine one's location or direction; to locate in relation to a direction (east, west, etc.)

**REVIEW**

1. Put a STAR \* in front of the words you know really well.
2. How many times did you use Quizlet to study the definitions?
3. Did you make flashcards? YES or NO
4. HIGHLIGHT the 20 words that are most DIFFICULT for you. Write them here: