

Vocabulary/Grammar—Senior English Lvl. 1*Unit One*

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Abhor	Hate	
2. Bigot	narrow-minded, prejudiced person	
3. Counterfeit	fake; false	
4. Enfranchise	give voting rights, give power to	
5. Hamper	hinder; obstruct; hold back	
6. Kindle	to start a fire	
7. Noxious	harmful; poisonous; lethal	
8. Placid	calm; peaceful	
9. Renumeration	payment for work done	
10. Talisman	lucky charm	
11. Abrasive	rough; coarse; harsh	
12. Bilk	cheat; defraud	
13. Covert	hidden; undercover	
14. Engender	cause	
15. Hangar	storage area (like garage) for a plane	
16. Knotty	complex; difficult to solve	
17. Nuance	something subtle; a fine shade of meaning	
18. Plagiarism	taking credit for someone else's writing/work	
19. Renown	fame	
20. Tangent	going off the main subject	

Unit Two

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Abasement	humiliation; degradation	
2. Billowing	swelling; fluttering; waving	
3. Cower	recoil in fear or servility; shrink away	
4. Enhance	improve; make better/clearer	
5. Harangue	noisy; attacking speech	
6. Labyrinth	a maze	
7. Nullify	to counter; make unimportant	
8. Plaintiff	petitioner (in court of law)	
9. Replete	full	
10. Tangible	can be touched	
11. Abrogate	cancel; deny; repeal	
12. Blasphemy	speech which offends	
13. Credible	believable	
14. Enigma	puzzle; mystery	
15. Harbingers	indicators; bringers of warnings	
17. Labyrinthine	complicated; highly convoluted	
18. Nuzzle	cuddle; snuggle	
19. Plaudit	statement giving strong praise	
20. Tardy	slow; late; overdue; delayed	

Unit Three

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Absolution	forgiveness; pardon; release	
2. Blatant	obvious	
3. Creditable	praiseworthy	
4. Enscorce	establish firmly in a position	
5. Hasten	hurry; rush	
6. Laceration	a cut	
7. Obdurate	stubborn	
8. Plausible	can be believed; reasonable	
9. Reprieve	a respite; postponement of a sentence	
10. Tawdry	of little value; gaudy	
11. Abstain	desist; go without	
12. Blighted	damaged; destroyed; ruined	
13. Credulous	gullible; ready to believe anything	
14. Enshroud	cover	
15. Lachrymose	tearful; sad	
16. Obfuscate	deliberately make something difficult to understand	
17. Plethora	an excess	
18. Repdiate	shun; eschew	
19. Tedium	boredom	
20. Reprehensible	shameful; very bad	

Unit Four

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Abstemious	self denying; refraining from indulging	
2. Blithe	free spirited; carefree	
3. Crepuscular	active at dawn and dusk	
4. Enunciation	clear pronunciation; accent; articulation	
5. Headstrong	stubborn; willful	
6. Lackluster	dull; monotonous; bland	
7. Objective	unbiased; not subjective	
8. Pliable	flexible; not stubborn	
9. Rescind	retract; repeal	
10. Temper	to moderate; soften	
11. Abstruse	difficult to understand; obscure	
12. Blunderbuss	a clumsy person	
13. Cringe	recoil; flinch; shy away	
14. Envenom	to cause bitterness or bad feelings	
15. Hedonism	self indulgence; pleasure-seeking	
16. Laconic	using few words; brief; to the point	
17. Oblique	indirect; slanting	
18. Plumage	feathers of a bird	
19. Resignation	acceptance of fate; the act of leaving a position	
20. Tenacious	intense; stubborn; holding firm	

Unit Five

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Accolade	tribute; honor; praise	
2. Bolster	support; prop up	
3. Cryptic	puzzling; enigmatic	
4. Ephemeral	short-lived	
5. Hedonist	a pleasure seeker	
6. Lamentation	expression of regret or sorrow	
7. Obliterate	destroy; demolish; eradicate	
8. Plummet	fall suddenly/steeply	
9. Resolution	determination	
10. Tentative	not certain	
11. Acquiesce	to agree; give in to	
12. Bombast	arrogant; pompous language	
13. Curtail	cut short	
14. Epicure	someone who appreciates fine food/drink	
15. Heed	listen to	
16. Lampoon	ridicule; spoof	
17. Oblivious	totally unaware	
18. Podium	raised platform	
19. Resonant	echoing	
20. Tenuous	flimsy; not solid	

Unit Six

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Alacrity	eagerness; enthusiasm; quickness	
2. Burgeon	grow; flourish; put forth new	
3. Deleterious	harmful	
4. Euphemism	a polite phrase to cover something unpleasant	
5. Hypocritical	saying one thing and doing another; insincere	
6. Leharic	tired; without energy	
7. Ogle	stare at	
8. Postulate	hypothesize; propose ideas	
9. Robust	strong; healthy; tough	
10. Tractable	Obedient; dutiful; polite	
11. Alchemy	antiquated chemistry	
12. Burnish	polish	
13. Deliberate	to think over deeply	
14. Euphony	pleasant sounds	
15. Iconoclast	person who opposes tradition	
16. Levity	flippancy; joking about serious things	
17. Olfactory	concerned with the sense of smell	
18. Potable	suitable for drinking	
19. Rotund	round	
20. Tranquil	peaceful	

Unit Seven

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Alibi	an excuse that shows someone was not at the crime scene	
2. Buttress	strengthen; support	
3. Delineation	demarcation; explanation; definition	
4. Evacuate	vacate; empty	
5. Idiosyncrasy	a personal peculiarity; something nontraditional about an individual	
6. Libertarian	someone who opposes tyranny; a political party keeping to the Constitution and Constitution only	
7. Ominous	threatening	
8. Potent	Powerful; strong; compelling	
9. Ruminare	think over something; ponder	
10. Transcribe	copy	
11. Allay	to lessen	
12. Byline	line that tells who wrote an article	
13. Demur	hesitate; refuse	
14. Exacerbate	make worse	
15. Ignominious	shameful	
16. Liniment	soothing lotion	
17. Omnipotent	all-powerful	
18. Pragmatic	practical	
19. Ruse	trick; stratagem	
20. Transgress	go astray; disobey	

Unit Eight

Word	Definition	Notes to help you remember the word/definition
1. Alleviate	make less severe	
2. Cacophony	discordant loud noises	
3. Denounce	condemn; speak out against	
4. Exasperated	frustrated; annoyed	
5. Ignominy	shame	
6. Lithe	flexible; supple	
7. Omniscient	all-knowing	
8. Pragmatist	practical person; one concerned with usefulness	
9. Saccharin	falsely sweet	
10. Transient	short-lived; ephemeral	
11. Aloof	distant; detached; cold	
12. Cajole	coax	
13. Deplete	use up; lessen	
14. Exceptionable	very bad (something we should object to)	
15. Illuminate	to light up/make clear	
16. Livid	very angry	
17. Onerous	burdensome; hard to undertake	
18. Preamble	introductory material	
19. Sacrosanct	very holy; inviolable	
20. Traverse	to move across	