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Chapters 1-9	Student-friendly definition
revoke	to cancel or take away
altercation	a fight or disagreement between people
discreet	not easily noticeable; kept secret
warily	to act with caution
intact	kept together
delusional	suffering from strange beliefs
deem	to judge or make a decision
obligated	to do something because you have to
presume	to be true
garble	to lack order; confusion
essential	important
devious	insincere, sneaky
strive	applying a lot of effort
dormant	not active

Chapters 10-16	Student-friendly definition
rogue	behaving in a dangerous way
spite	doing things on purpose to harm someone
jurisdiction	the right to use an official power to make legal decisions
prudent	careful
pristine	very fresh or clean
sabbatical	a period of time when someone stops doing their usual work
nefarious	evil or criminal
compromise	to agree; “meet in the middle”
aptitude	someone’s natural ability
implement	to make happen
malign	to say rude things
supernatural	impossible to explain by natural causes
immerse	to cover someone or something completely
abominable	terrible
perverse	behaving in a way that is opposite of what people want
skulk	to hide or move secretly

Chapters 10-16	Student-friendly definition
impose	if someone imposes a rule, they force people to accept it
conundrum	a confusing problem
tempest	
inconsequential	not important
wreak	to cause
bestow	a violent storm
substantial	enough
debrief	to ask someone something to gather information

Chapters 17-24	Student-friendly definition
converge	to come from different directions and meet at the same place
sluggish	to move slowly
relevant	important
wield	to hold something that you are going to use
dispel	to make someone go away
impeccable	without any flaws; perfect
leviathan	something very large and strong
flail	to wave your arms and legs in a wild way

Chapters 17-24	Student-friendly definition
breach	an action that breaks a law or rule
mottled	covered with spots
influence	the power to control someone
solemnly	sadly
shaman	a religious leader
cherub	an angel
subtle	not easy to notice or understand
pyromania	someone who has a strong desire to start fires
fleck	a small mark or spot
renowned	liked by a lot of people for something special
resilience	to push through hard times
insurmountable	too large or difficult to deal with
intently	looking at something with careful attention
flustered	nervous and confused
dismantle	to take something apart
inclined	more likely to do something

Chapters 25-33	Student-friendly definition
faze	if a new situation fazes you, it makes you feel confused or shocked
jest	something you say to be funny
curator	someone who is in charge of a museum or zoo
laurel	a small tree with smooth shiny dark green leaves that do not fall in winter
reputable	respected for being honest or for doing good work
hankering	a strong wish to have or do something
insinuation	something that someone says which seems to mean something rude, but does not say this openly
translucent	see through
sprawl	to lie or sit with your arms or legs stretched out in a lazy or careless way
stature	how much someone is liked
bane	something that causes trouble or makes people unhappy
humble	not considering yourself or your ideas to be as important as others
sovereign	a king or queen
unrequited	unrequited feelings are feelings that you feel for someone but that they do not feel for you
unprecedented	never having happened before, or never having happened so much
incredulous	unable or unwilling to believe something

Chapters 25-33	Student-friendly definition
gullible	someone who is gullible never thinks anyone is lying
treachery	behavior in which someone is not loyal to someone who trusts them
falter	to become weaker
conscience	the part of your mind that tells you whether what you are doing is morally right or wrong
audacity	having the courage to say something that is very rude
vilify	to say or write bad things about someone or something
eloquent	able to express your ideas and opinions well
conjure	to perform clever tricks in which you seem to make things appear, disappear, or change by magic
advocate	to stand up for what you believe in