

The lists below are the SAT vocabulary words we will study **FIRST** semester. **ONE** hard copy of this list will be provided for you. If you misplace this list, it is your responsibility to go to Schoolwires and print a new one. Please remember to use the **Sadlier Vocabulary** website for help with studying vocabulary words. Sadlier vocabulary offers study and review games to help you learn spelling, parts of speech, usage, and definitions. Instructions for using the Sadlier Vocabulary website are provided below.

Students will be tested over the vocabulary words every two weeks on Wednesday. Students will also take a cumulative test over all six sets words. Learn the words *well* as you will be tested over previous units on each current unit quiz.

## SADLIER VOCABULARY WEBSITE

1. Go to the Sadlier Vocabulary website:  
**[http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/levels\\_a2h.cfm?sp=student](http://www.sadlier-oxford.com/vocabulary/levels_a2h.cfm?sp=student)**
2. Click on the correct level: **9<sup>th</sup> Grade is level D**
3. For definitions, pronunciation, and model sentences choose **iWords**.
4. Click on the word itself.
5. You can download these words onto your iPod and simply listen to the definitions and practice sentences repetitively if you wish.
6. You may listen to each word individually, or download the entire unit at once.
7. Practice sentences are provided after the definitions.
8. The definitions provided on the website are the ones that will be used on the quizzes and tests.
9. Review games are also available, but they will include all 20 words in units A and B.

## VOCABULARY FLASHCARDS

Vocabulary card information may be typed or handwritten. Illustrations may be hand drawn or clipart.

### FRONT OF CARD

1. Write the **vocabulary word** on the front of the index card.
2. Write the vocabulary word using **TWO** colors of **INK** (**NO** pencil).
3. Alternate colors for each letter of the word (for example-1<sup>st</sup> letter **blue**/2<sup>nd</sup> letter **red**/3<sup>rd</sup> letter **blue**/4<sup>th</sup> letter **red**, etc.)  
*This helps you learn to spell the words correctly.*
4. DO NOT JUST **HIGHLIGHT** ALTERNATE LETTERS (**no credit**).
5. **DO NOT use black and blue ink together** (*If you need to borrow colored ink pens, I will gladly loan mine.*)
6. Draw a **visual image (or add clipart)** underneath the vocabulary word to help you recall the word based on the definition.
7. Write the **PART OF SPEECH** below the vocabulary word.

### BACK OF CARD

1. Write the definition on the **BACK** of the card.
2. Write a **SYNONYM** for each word under the definition.
3. Write an **ANTONYM** for each word under the synonym.
4. Write a **sample sentence** under the antonym (underline the vocabulary word)

Completed flashcards for all 60 words are due: \_\_\_\_\_

admonish

(verb)



*to caution or advise against something; to scold mildly; to remind of a duty*

**synonym:** warn, call on the carpet

**antonym:** praise, pat on the back

*His mother admonished him for failing to clean his room.*

LIST #1: Unit A		
TERM	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION
admonish	verb	to caution or advise against something; to scold mildly; to remind of a duty
breach	noun/verb	(n.) an opening, gap, rupture, rift; a violation or infraction (v.) to create an opening, break through
brigand	noun	a bandit, robber, outlaw, highwayman
circumspect	adjective	Careful; cautious
commandeer	verb	to seize for military or official use
cumbersome	adjective	clumsy; hard to handle; slow-moving
deadlock	noun/verb	(n.) a standstill resulting from the opposition of two equal forces or factions (v.) to bring to such a standstill
debris	noun	scattered fragments; wreckage
diffuse	verb/adjective	(v.) to spread or scatter freely or widely (adj.) wordy, longwinded, or unfocused; scattered or widely spread
dilemma	noun	a difficult or perplexing situation or problem

LIST #1: Unit B		
TERM	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION
efface	verb	to wipe out; to keep oneself from being noticed
muddle	verb	to make a mess of; <i>muddle through</i> ; to get by
opinionated	adjective	stubborn and often unreasonable in holding to one's own ideas; having a closed mind
perennial	adjective/noun	(adj.) lasting for a long time; persistent (n.) a plant that lives for many years
predispose	verb	to incline to beforehand
relinquish	verb	to let go; give up
salvage	verb/noun	(v.) to save from fire or shipwreck (n.) property thus saved
spasmodic	adjective	sudden and violent but brief; fitful; intermittent
spurious	adjective	not genuine; not true; not valid
unbridled	adjective	uncontrolled; lacking in restraint

**LIST #2: Unit A**

TERM	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION
adjourn	verb	to stop proceedings temporarily; move to another place
alien	noun/adjective	(n.) a citizen of another country (adj.) foreign, strange
comely	adjective	having a pleasing appearance
compensate	verb	to make up for; to repay for services
dissolute	adjective	loose in one's morals or behavior
erratic	adjective	not regular or consistent; different from what is ordinarily expected; undependable
expulsion	noun	the process of driving or forcing out
feint	noun/verb	(n.) a deliberately deceptive movement; a pretense (v.) to make a deceptive movement; to make a pretense of
fodder	noun	food for horses or cattle; raw material for a designated purpose
fortify	verb	to strengthen; build up

**LIST #2: Unit B**

TERM	PART OF SPEECH	DEFINITION
Illegible	adjective	difficult or impossible to read
jeer	verb/noun	(v.) to make fun of rudely or unkindly (n.) a rude remark or derision
lucrative	adjective	bringing in money; profitable
mediocre	adjective	average; ordinary; undistinguished
proliferate	verb	to reproduce; increase; to spread quickly
subjugate	verb	to conquer by force; bring under complete control
sully	verb	to soil; stain; tarnish; defile; besmirch
tantalize	verb	to tease, torment by teasing
terse	adjective	brief and to the point
unflinching	adjective	firm; showing no signs of fear; not drawing back

<b>LIST #3: Unit A</b>		
<b>TERM</b>	<b>PART OF SPEECH</b>	<b>DEFINITION</b>
abridge	verb	to make shorter
adherent	noun/adjective	(n.) a follower, supporter (adj.) attached, sticking to
altercation	noun	an angry argument
cherubic	adjective	resembling an angel; portrayed as a little child with a beautiful, round, or chubby face; sweet and innocent
condone	verb	to pardon or overlook
dissent	verb/noun	(v.) to disagree (n.) disagreement
eminent	adjective	famous, outstanding, distinguished; projecting
exorcise	verb	to drive out by magic; to dispose of something troublesome, menacing, or oppressive
fabricate	verb	to make, manufacture; to make up; invent
irate	adjective	angry

<b>LIST #3: Unit B</b>		
<b>TERM</b>	<b>PART OF SPEECH</b>	<b>DEFINITION</b>
marauder	noun	a raider; plunderer
obesity	noun	extreme fatness
pauper	noun	an extremely poor person
pilfer	verb	to steal in small quantities
rift	noun	a split, break, breach
semblance	noun	a likeness; an outward appearance; an apparition
surmount	verb	to overcome, rise above
terminate	verb	to bring to an end
trite	adjective	commonplace; overused; stale
usurp	verb	to seize and hold a position by force or without the right