**Context Sentences for Vocab 1:**

1. As a result of an act of *altruism*, the homeless family found a warm place to spend the holidays.
2. The Father Bob tried to *assuage* the students’ fears regarding the naked mass.
3. Wendy’s essay received a low score because her argument was so *banal* and trite.
4. When the perpetrator *brandished* the knife, the police had no choice but to use force to stop him.
5. During WWII, German interrogators attempted to *coerce* details of the D-Day invasion from captured POWs.
6. The rumors about Andrew’s weekend quickly *disseminated* throughout the senior class.
7. Every morning, Laura’s *ebullient* smile starts my day off on a happy note.
8. “We know you had a party while we were out of town,” Tim’s Dad said. “Lying to us now will only *exacerbate* the situation.”
9. After the tree branch fell and pinned the child to the ground, Mrs. Jones lifted the massive thing as if she were suddenly *imbued* with super-strength.
10. Placing the most obnoxious kid in class next to the quietest kid in class was an interesting *juxtaposition* on Mr. Stevens’ seating chart.
11. The morning after working a double shift at the factory, Ray was more than a little *lethargic* about getting up and starting the day.
12. Since you are so young and not yet set in your ways, your political opinions are still *malleable*.
13. The people talking about Rob’s encounter with the police yesterday are spreading *mendacious* gossip.
14. Men who regard women merely as “hot” and, otherwise, objectify them reveal themselves to be *misogynists*.
15. The newly wedded couple had the most *opulent* reception that I have ever experienced.
16. Since his nose was red and shiny, Rudolph was *ostracized* by the other reindeer and not allowed join in any reindeer games.
17. Those scissors are a *pernicious* object for your toddler to be handling.
18. In response to your *query*, yes, we are having a vocab quiz next Thursday.
19. Since the popularity of “Thrift Shop” made him a household name, the *queue* to buy ticket for the Macklemore concert stretched all the way around the building.
20. Suffering from agoraphobia, Nancy chose to be a *recluse* and remain in her apartment most of the time.
21. While I appreciated Steve’s compliments regarding my teaching method, I knew that he was being a *sycophant* and only trying to boost his low grade.
22. The photos of Mr. Smith’s Stamper’s trip to India *tantalized* us with visions of exotic and exciting travel.
23. My friend, Paul, has a *vagabond* heart because he has six girlfriends in six different cities.
24. Nick fell immediately for the *winsome* way that Katie tossed her long, red hair.
25. By the way he stubbornly argued his support for the candidate, Josh was accused of being a *zealot*.

**Lexicon Directions:**

In the Lexicon section of your binder, you will complete the vocabulary lesson. The manner of completion is explained below.

1. Copy the FIRST Context Sentence onto your page and underline the target word (underlined AND italicized on the accompanying handout)
2. Skip a line, then write the word CONNOTATION beneath the sentence and write down the connotation of the word as you understand it in the context in which it is being used (NOTE: Connotation refers to the implied meaning of the word).
3. Next, skip another line and write the word DENOTATION. Write down the denotation of the word as it is being used in the context sentence. (NOTE: Denotation refers to the dictionary meaning – the definition of the word, which you may and should look up).
4. Skip a line and at one margin write the word SYNONYMS and at the other margin write ANTONYMS.
5. Below the word synonyms, you need to write down THREE words that have the same meaning and usage as the target word.
6. Below the word antonyms, you need to write down THREE words that have an opposite meaning and usage as the target word.
7. After your lists of synonyms and antonyms, CREATIVELY Depict the target word – this may be a drawing, cartoon, brief poem, or any creative means to convey the word for your understanding.
8. REPEAT steps 1 thru 7 for all 25 Target Words!

IMPORTANT: Do NOT cram in the several words onto a page or else it will defeat the purpose and only create a chaotic, disorganized mess. Rather, there is a LIMIT of THREE (3) words per side of paper.