Vocabulary List # 1 sample sentences:

Directions: Come up with a prediction of what each underlined word means.

- 1. Although my boss is mostly encouraging, he sometimes will <u>abase</u> employees when they do something wrong.
- 2. I became <u>accustomed</u> to waking up late in the summer, so it has been difficult to get up early in the mornings since school started.
- 3. My younger sister is very <u>boisterous</u> after she eats candy; she practically begins bouncing off the walls.
- 4. After analyzing the last five Dodger games, I noticed that the team was <u>deficient</u> in strong batters, since we had only hit four home runs.
- 5. Last weekend when I was hiking the Whittier canyon trail a rattlesnake making its way across the dirt path passed right beside us, but we managed a narrow <u>evasion</u> by hurrying past it quickly.
- 6. When my brother gets very hungry, his speech becomes <u>incoherent</u>, since he has no energy to think about what he is saying.
- 7. I had an <u>epiphany</u> the other day, wherein I realized my purpose was to become a doctor so that I could help people like my grandmother, who suffered a stroke recently.
- 8. When I babysit my neighbor's two year-old child, I notice that he does things that are <u>irrational</u> when he doesn't want to do something, like when I told him it was bedtime last night, he decided to tear apart the art project that we had just spent an hour making.
- 9. My dog looked very <u>listless</u> yesterday so we took her to the vet, because normally she is full of energy.
- 10. I used to <u>parody</u> my older siblings when I was younger, which would draw a laugh from my whole family.
- 11. The <u>persecution</u> of many groups throughout history is something that we should all take the time to learn from, so that other peoples do not have to experience this same treatment; that is why I love history I like learning from the mistakes of the past.
- 12. When a new species of seaweed was carried from the Atlantic Ocean to the Pacific Ocean, it led to the complete <u>holocaust</u> of another seaweed, harming the overall ecosystem.
- 13. The <u>genocide</u> of Native American Indians in the narrative of the United States is something that many tribes are still trying to recover from.
- 14. There is a <u>stereotype</u> that I heard that all the kids who go to that school are geniuses who end up going to Ivy League colleges.
- 15. The lake was <u>luminescent</u>, since there was a species of glowing organisms that lived there.