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PSLE English Vocabulary List

allegiance	the loyalty that citizens owe to their country (or subjects to their sovereign); the act of binding yourself (intellectually or emotionally) to a course of action
alleviate	provide physical relief, as from pain; make easier
ambiguous	open to more than one interpretation; not having one obvious meaning.
anaesthetic	a drug that causes temporary loss of bodily sensations
appal	fill with apprehension or alarm; cause to be unpleasantly surprised; strike with disgust or revulsion
appease	make peace with; overcome or allay; cause to be more favourably inclined; gain the good will of
arid	lacking vitality or spirit; lifeless; lacking enough water or rainfall
astute	marked by practical hard-headed intelligence
blitz	a swift and violent military offensive with intensive aerial bombardment
boisterously	in a carefree manner
clatter	a rattling noise
compel	force or oblige (someone) to do something.
complement	something added to complete or make perfect; either of two parts that mutually complete each other
concise	expressing much in few words
concurred	happen simultaneously; be in accord; be in agreement
confer	have a conference in order to talk something over; present
defer	submit or yield to another's wish or opinion; hold back to a later time
deluge	the rising of a body of water and its overflowing onto normally dry land; a heavy rain; an overwhelming number or amount
demeanour	the way a person behaves toward other people
deplete	use up the supply or resources of.
depreciate	lose in value; lower the value of something; belittle
dwindle	become smaller or lose substance
elaborately	with elaboration
esteem	the condition of being honoured (esteemed or respected or well regarded); an attitude of admiration or esteem
evoke	call to mind; summon into action or bring into existence, often as if by magic

favourable	favouring or bringing good luck; occurring at a convenient or suitable time
filth	a state characterized by foul or disgusting dirt and refuse; any substance considered disgustingly foul or unpleasant
folly	foolish or senseless behaviour; the trait of acting stupidly or rashly; the quality of being rash and foolish; a stupid mistake
foreboding	ominously prophetic; <i>noun</i> an unfavourable omen; a feeling of evil to come
forlornly	in a forlorn manner
frivolously	in a frivolous manner
futile	producing no result or effect; unproductive of success
glitch	a fault or defect in a system or machine
ideal	constituting or existing only in the form of an idea or mental image or conception; conforming to an ultimate standard of perfection or excellence
implore	call upon in supplication; entreat
inaccessible	capable of being reached only with great difficulty or not at all; not capable of being obtained
incorrigible	impervious to correction by punishment
incredulous	not disposed or willing to believe; unbelieving
incurred	make oneself subject to; bring upon oneself; become liable to; receive a specified treatment
indelible	cannot be removed, washed away or erased
indulgent	being favourably inclined; characterized by or given to yielding to the wishes of someone; tolerant or lenient
infer	believe to be the case; guess correctly; solve by guessing; reason by deduction; establish by deduction; conclude by reasoning
infuriate	make furious
insinuate	introduce or insert (oneself) in a subtle manner; give to understand
inundate	fill or cover completely, usually with water; fill quickly beyond capacity; as with a liquid
invincible	incapable of being overcome or subdued
irate	feeling or showing extreme anger
laboriously	in a laborious manner
murmur	a low continuous background noise; a low continuous background noise.
outflow	the process of flowing out; the unwanted discharge of a fluid from some container; a natural flow of ground water

perjury	the offence of wilfully telling an untruth or making a misrepresentation under oath.
perturb	throw into great confusion or disorder; disturb in mind or make uneasy or cause to be worried or alarmed
pique	tightly woven fabric with raised cords; a sudden outburst of anger; <i>verb</i> cause to feel resentment or indignation
poised	marked by balance or equilibrium and readiness for action; in full control of your faculties
prestigious	exerting influence by reason of high status or prestige; having an illustrious reputation; respected
provoke	provide the needed stimulus for; evoke or provoke to appear or occur
recall	the act of removing an official by petition; the process of remembering (especially the process of recovering information by mental effort)
recuperate	get over an illness or shock; restore to good health or strength; regain a former condition after a financial loss; regain or make up for
reminisce	recall the past
solitary	remote or secluded; being the only one; single and isolated from others; characterized by or preferring solitude
squirmed	wriggle or twist the body from side to side, especially as a result of nervousness or discomfort.
stifled	held in check with difficulty
subside	become less intense, violent, or severe
superficial	being or affecting or concerned with a surface; not deep or penetrating emotionally or intellectually; of little substance or significance
tranquilisers	a medicinal drug taken to reduce tension or anxiety.
transfixed	having your attention fixated as though by a spell
unanimously	of one mind; without dissent
vague	not clearly understood or expressed; not precisely limited, determined, or distinguished; lacking clarity or distinctness
zealously	in a zealous manner

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