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About this study guide

This vocabulary guide was prepared and published by Test Ninjas as an independent study resource. It is designed to help students build the precise word knowledge needed for demanding academic reading and reasoning.

How to use this guide

Study in short, repeated sessions. Read each definition, say the word aloud, and use the example to understand how the word functions in context. Return to unfamiliar words until you can explain them without looking at the definition.

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001 borrow *verb · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

to take and use something with the intention of returning it

May I **borrow** your pen for a moment, giving observers a clearer picture of the economic conditions surrounding the situation.

MEMORY CUE: A borrowed library book travels out on a boomerang because it must be returned.

002 costly *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

expensive; causing significant loss or damage

The **costly** renovation exceeded the original budget, showing how financial circumstances limited or expanded the choices people could make.

MEMORY CUE: A costly choice carries a huge price tag or drains a tank marked money, time, and damage.

003 expensive *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

costing a lot of money; high in price

The repairs turned out to be more **expensive** than we had anticipated, illustrating the resources available to the people affected by the decision.

MEMORY CUE: An expensive object bends the price scale under a very heavy cost.

004 lucrative *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

producing a great deal of profit; financially rewarding

The tech industry offers many **lucrative** career opportunities, illustrating the resources available to the people affected by the decision.

MEMORY CUE: A lucrative machine produces a stream of profit and financial reward.

005 possession *noun · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

the state of having or owning something

The antique clock was her most treasured **possession**, showing how financial circumstances limited or expanded the choices people could make.

MEMORY CUE: A key held beneath a MINE tag represents possession and ownership.

006 possessions *noun · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

things that one owns; belongings

She packed all her **possessions** into a single suitcase, showing how financial circumstances limited or expanded the choices people could make.

MEMORY CUE: Possessions are the belongings gathered inside a chest labeled MINE.

007 priced *verb · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

assigned a price to something; valued at a certain amount

The house was **priced** well above the market average, showing how financial circumstances limited or expanded the choices people could make.

MEMORY CUE: A priced object has a specific value written on its tag.

008 prosperous *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

successful in material terms; flourishing

The **prosperous** merchant expanded his business, giving observers a clearer picture of the economic conditions surrounding the situation.

MEMORY CUE: A prosperous business grows a healthy tree of material success.

009 wealthy *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

having a great deal of money or assets

The **wealthy** philanthropist donated millions, illustrating the resources available to the people affected by the decision.

MEMORY CUE: A wealthy vault holds a great quantity of money and assets.

010 luxurious *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

extremely comfortable and elegant

They stayed in a **luxurious** hotel suite, illustrating the resources available to the people affected by the decision.

MEMORY CUE: A luxurious room surrounds comfort with elegant fabric and fine detail.

011 generous *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

showing a readiness to give more

Her **generous** donation helped many, showing how financial circumstances limited or expanded the choices people could make.

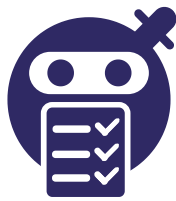
MEMORY CUE: A generous hand gives more than expected from a full basket.

012 charitable *adjective · Foundational***WEALTH & POVERTY**

generous in giving to those in need

The **charitable** foundation helped thousands, illustrating the resources available to the people affected by the decision.

MEMORY CUE: A charitable hand directs generous help toward people in need.



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Keep building your edge.

Vocabulary grows through repeated exposure and deliberate use.
Revisit this list, write with the words, and practice recognizing their
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