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Vocabulary ₂

Vocabulary Word	Definition	Example Sentence
1. Disarming	<i>Adj.</i> Having the effect of getting rid of suspicion or hostility, especially through charm.	The vampire had a very disarming personality, therefore his victims never saw it coming.
2. Frivolous	<i>Adj.</i> Not worthy of serious attention	The cops thought prank calls were just frivolous and didn't take them seriously.
3. Nuisance	<i>Noun.</i> A person, thing, or circumstance causing inconvenience or annoyance.	Thomas thought having to check-in with his mom, every hour, was such a nuisance that he always complained about it.
4. Haggard	<i>Adj.</i> Looking exhausted and unwell from fatigue, worry, or suffering	My English teacher always looked rather haggard after spending the weekend grading papers.
5. Nostalgia	<i>Noun.</i> A sentimental longing or wistful affection for the past, typically for a period or place with happy memories.	The football player always felt nostalgia for his high school days, his "glory days," he'd call them.
6. Mesmerizing	<i>Verb.</i> Hold the attention of someone to the exclusion of all else; to be transfixed by someone or something.	The children were mesmerized by all the candy they got for Halloween.
7. Livid	<i>Adj.</i> Very angry	My parents were livid that I took the car without asking.
8. Meticulous	<i>Adj.</i> Extreme or excessive care given to details.	My best friend was very meticulous about how he organized his movies.
9. Banquet	<i>Noun.</i> A feast or dinner	Frankenstein and his wife loved to have a Halloween banquet, for all their friends to tell scary stories.
10. Simultaneously	<i>Adverb.</i> To do something at the same time.	The haunted house was simultaneously frightening and hilarious.
11. Ambivalent	<i>Adj.</i> Having mixed feelings about someone or something; being unable to choose between the two.	He felt ambivalent about whether or not he should go out for Halloween or stay in and watch scary movies. Both sounded fun.
12. Condescending	<i>Adj.</i> Displaying a superior attitude towards someone or something. To look down on someone.	Dracula was always so condescending towards the Wolfman and Frankenstein, so they stopped inviting him to parties.
13. Vulnerable	<i>Adj.</i> Capable of or susceptible to being wounded or hurt, by someone or something	Anyone who walks alone at night is vulnerable to being chased by zombies.

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14. Ambiguous	<i>Adj.</i> Having several possible meanings or interpretations and not being sure which is which.	She always felt that her boyfriend sent ambiguous texts. She always had to discuss with her friends what he meant.
15. Boasting	<i>Verb.</i> To brag or exaggerate, especially about oneself.	My brother boasted about how great he was doing in school.
16. Empathetic	<i>Adj.</i> Showing comprehension and compassion of other's people's feelings.	My mother was so empathetic that she'd often cry at Hallmark commercials.
17. Defiant	<i>Adj.</i> To challenge authority or do what you're not supposed to.	Even though it said "STAY OUT BEWARE," the defiant teenagers went in any way.
18. Suspicious	<i>Adj.</i> To think that something is wrong	The town was very suspicious of the town witches for the disappearance of all the black cats.
19. Adequate	<i>Adj.</i> Satisfactory or acceptable in quality	"You're more than adequate," Frankenstein's wife always told him. "Many people are afraid to you, don't listen to Dracula,"
20. Inference	<i>Noun.</i> To make an educated guess based on evidence and reasoning.	Based on their history and because they always broke up and got back together, you could make an inference that they wouldn't be together long.