***Spelling/Vocabulary/Sentence Unit #21***

**1. Ambiguous having more than one possible meaning; not clearly understood**

*It was ambiguous what my mom meant by “in trouble”; I might be grounded or just get a lecture.*

**2. Bankrupt having no more money; lacking something**

*Bankrupt and desperate, Tom attempted to rob gas stations as a way to get money.*

**3. Charlatan someone who falsely claims to have special skill or experience**

*Doctor Dan is actually not a licensed physician at all; he’s a complete charlatan.*

**4. Consequential happening as a result of something; important**

*Attacking their opponent’s weakness proved to be consequential to the team’s win.*

**5. Delusional a false belief or idea about something; a symptom of an illness**

*The therapist declared that I was delusional and that the talking unicorns weren’t real.*

**6. Dominant in control or command over others**

*Amazing! The team was dominant in the tournament, winning every game.*

**7. Exasperate to annoy someone to the point of wearing them out**

*The children exasperated the babysitter until she screamed, “I quit.”*

**8. Formulate to prepare according to a formula or plan**

*In summary, the chemical compound we’ve formulated is powerful and explosive.*

**9. Heist to steal something while carrying weapons**

*To conclude, the heist of the famous statue was carried off without a hitch.*

**10. Ingenious possessing cleverness and imagination**

*If Teddy is so ingenious, then why did he put his shoes on the wrong feet?*

**11. Mesmerizing beautiful in a way that might hypnotize or fascinate**

*With binoculars and his guidebook, Jack set out to get a closer look at the mesmerizing birds.*

**12. Nurture to give care and protection to a young organism to help it develop**

*Madeline has very nurturing parents; hence, she’s had a happy childhood.*

**13. Obstinate refusing to agree with others opinions or suggestions; stubborn**

*When it comes to her shot, Ann is obstinate and refuses to follow the advice of her basketball coach.*

**14. Petite having a small and delicate build**

*Petite Patty purchased extra small pants, the only size that would fit.*

**15. Prudent cautious; having the good sense not to do something too risky**

*Consequently, my prudent decision to stay home and study resulted in an A+ on my test.*

**16. Restaurant a place where meals are sold and served to customers**

*Either you make a reservation for the restaurant now, or we’ll be waiting forever to get a table.*

**17. Spacious containing ample space**

*Spacious and roomy, the five-bedroom home is perfect for a larger family.*

**18. Tactful having or showing concern about upsetting or offending people**

*I was tactful in telling Ted he stank, so he didn’t feel bad when I handed him a bar of soap.*

**19. Unanimous shared as a view by all of the people involved, with no disagreement**

*Amazingly, the vote was unanimous. Justin Bieber is our new President!*

**20. Wearisome physically or mentally tiring and dull**

*Pulling weeds, a wearisome task, is definitely my least favorite chore.*

**Sentence Pattern: Each sentence should include a colon ( :) and a series of three or more items that follows the colon. You should have an independent clause (a sentence that can stand on its own) in front of the colon. Note, there are two spaces after a colon.**

1. Penny was *obstinate* about many things: what she wore, what she ate, and who she talked to.

2. The vote was *unanimous* except for the following people: Greg, Will, and Penelope.

3. There are several things that *exasperate* Mr. Martin: students who talk non-stop, late homework, and hard-to-read handwriting.

4. The *charlatan* “outdoorsman” knew little of what he should have: making a fire, pitching a tent, and finding food.