***Spelling/Vocabulary/Sentence Unit #3***

**1. Abundance a more than plentiful amount of something**

*We have an abundance of both pens and pencils at the office supply store.*

**2. Appearance the act of coming into view; the way something looks**

*When the sun finally made an appearance, the vampires hurried to their lairs.*

**3. Compel to force somebody to do something**

*I felt compelled to help the injured bird; without help, it’d certainly die.*

**4. Crestfallen disappointed after something one was confident about went poorly**

*Crying, the crestfallen boy realized he would not be getting a puppy after all.*

**5. Diabolical extremely evil or cruel**

*Created in their secret hideout, the boy’s diabolical plan to attack the girls involved fakes snakes.*

**6. Elegant very stylish, and often expensive; showing good taste**

*Her elegant gown, light blue and sparkling, took the audience’s breath away.*

**7. Exultant extremely happy, joyful, or triumphant**

*The team was exultant to have won the playoff game; however, the championship was still ahead.*

**8. Genius someone with exceptional ability or intellect**

*Phoebe was a genius concerning many subjects: math, physics, biology, and chemistry.*

**9. Hypocrite someone who pretends to have good values but behaves differently**

*Roger may have told us not to smoke, but I saw that hypocrite smoking in the parking lot.*

**10. Indicative from “indicate”; showing or suggesting that something is true**

*George’s top-notch grades are indicative that he is an exceptional student.*

**11. Integrate to mix different people or ideas together into a whole**

*By integrating Sue’s creativity with my business sense, we came up with a successful new product.*

**12. Livid very angry**

*“I can never trust you again!” screamed the livid girlfriend.*

**13. Loathe to dislike someone or something intensely**

*Having been attacked by a dog when I was three, I now loathe all canines.*

**14. Morale the general feeling of motivation or confidence felt by a group**

*With consecutive losses and several injured players, the team’s morale was low.*

**15. Ominous suggesting or indicating that something bad will happen**

*Dark and rotating, the ominous clouds compelled us to seek shelter.*

**16. Plummet to drop suddenly and steeply downward**

*The peregrine falcon (the fastest animal on earth) can plummet through the sky at 200 m.p.h.*

**17. Ransack to go through a place stealing some things and destroying all else**

*Ransacked the night before, the apartment was missing several items.*

**18. Scarcity a very small supply of something**

*Unfortunately, there was a scarcity of toilet paper in the restroom.*

**19. Therapeutic something used in the treatment of someone’s health**

*All things considered, some people find acupuncture to be very therapeutic.*

**20. Vapid dull, boring, lacking liveliness or flavor**

*I found the performance quite vapid; I fell asleep half way through.*

**Sentence pattern: Begin with a subject followed by a comma, an interrupting appositive, another comma, and a predicate.**

1. The criminal, who recently escaped from prison, peered through the window and smiled *ominously*.

2. The plot, a *diabolical* plan to blow up the office building, was uncovered by police just in time.

3. The angry tone of Mr. Martin, our English teacher, was *indicative* of his poor mood.

4. Janice, who suffers from back pain, found the whirlpool to be very *therapeutic.*