

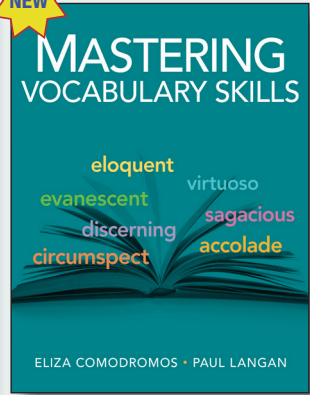
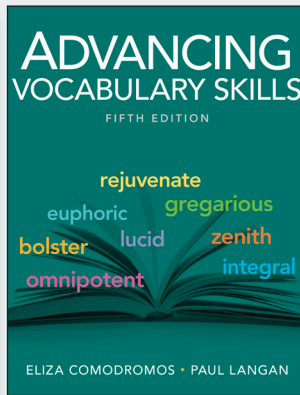
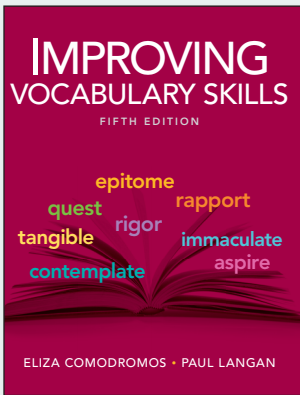
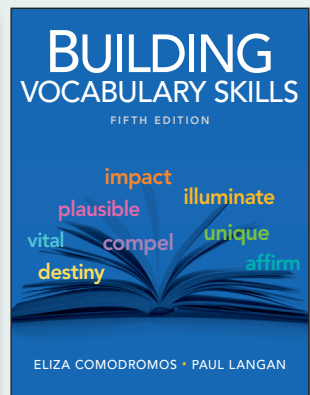
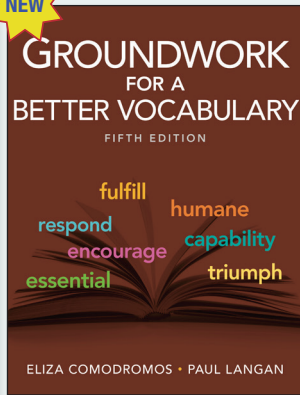
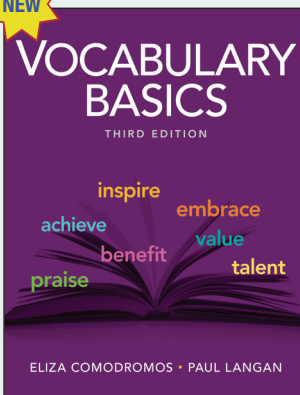
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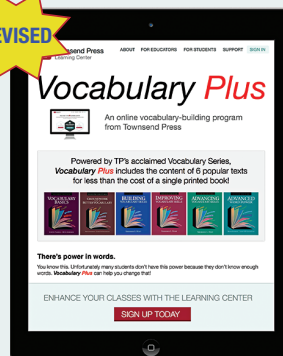
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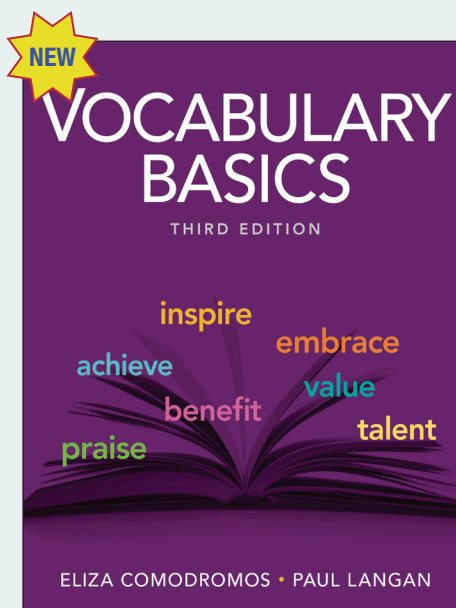


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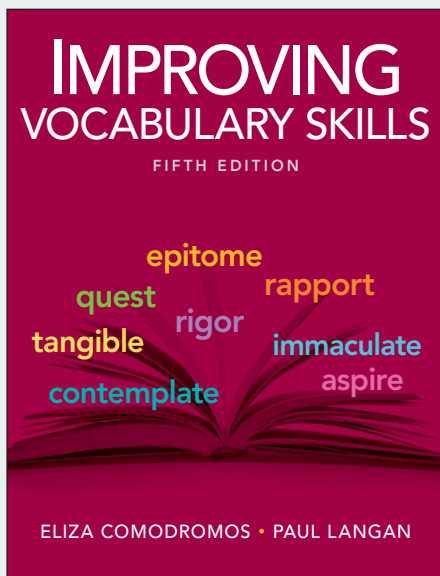
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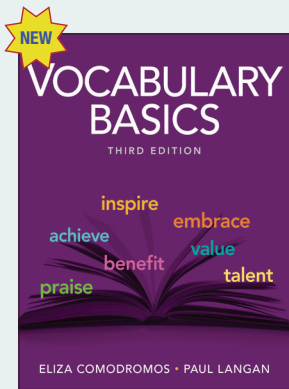
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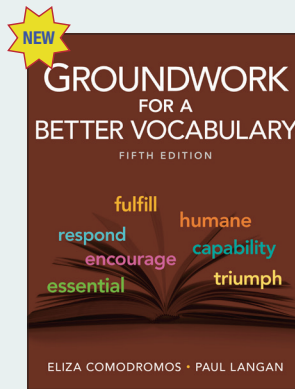
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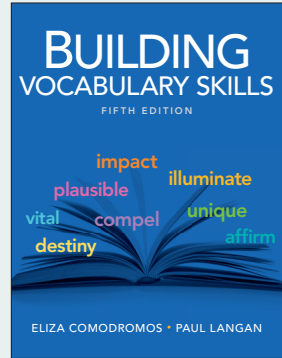
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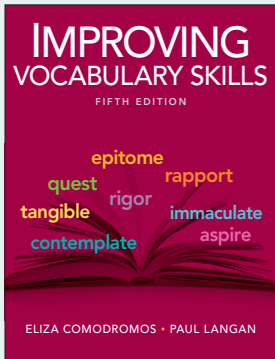
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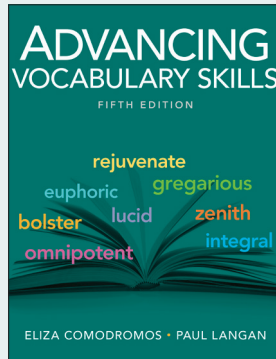
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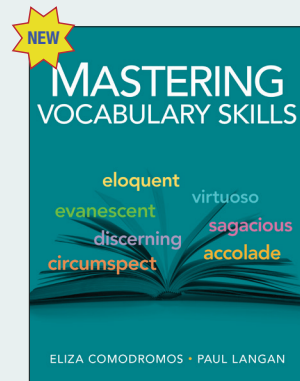
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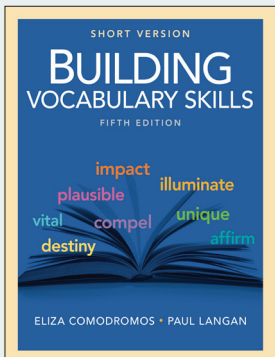


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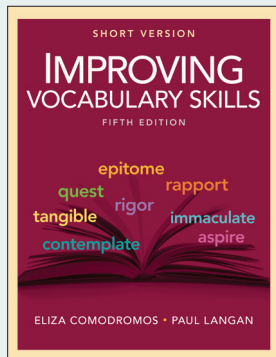
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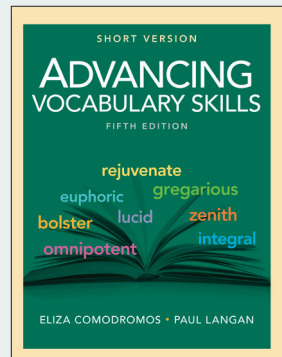
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Ten Words in Context

In the space provided, write the letter of the meaning closest to that of each boldfaced word. Use the context of the sentences to help you figure out each word's meaning.

- 1 **acclaim** (ə-kliim')
-noun
B Acclaim means
 - Any subway system that is clean, quiet, and safe deserves acclaim.
 - Although Vincent Van Gogh's paintings are now worth millions of dollars, the artist received little acclaim in his lifetime and died in poverty.

A. criticism. B. praise. C. change.
- 2 **adjacent** (ə-djə-'tʃent)
-adjective
A Adjacent means
 - Because their desks are adjacent, Jeff and Kellie often exchange looks and comments.
 - If you keep your dishes in a cupboard that's adjacent to the dishwasher, you won't have to walk too far when putting away the clean dishes.

A. close. B. similar. C. separated.
- 3 **elicit** (i-'li-tʃi)
-verb
C Elicit means
 - The movie star's violet eyes always elicit admiration and wonder.
 - The basketball player's three-point shot to win the game in its final seconds elicited a roar of delight from the excited fans.

A. to stop. B. to follow. C. to bring out.
- 4 **engross** (en-'grɔs')
-verb
A Engross means
 - The suspenseful TV movie so engrossed Bryan that he didn't even budge when he was called to dinner.
 - The fascinating single-file march of black ants along the sidewalk engrossed me for several minutes.

A. to hold the interest of. B. to disgust. C. to bore.
- 5 **escalate** (es-'kæl-ət)
-verb
A Escalate means
 - The fight between the two hockey players escalated into an all-out battle among members of both teams.
 - "We need to escalate our fund-raising efforts," the theater manager said. "Otherwise, the company won't survive."

A. to expand. B. to delay. C. to weaken.
- 6 **exploit** (eks-'plɔit')
-verb
B Exploit means
 - At the turn of the century, factory owners exploited children by making them work in terrible conditions for as many as eighteen hours a day.
 - Although Ricky is the English teacher's son, he refuses to exploit his status. He works as hard as anyone else in the class.

A. to forget. B. to take advantage of. C. to be sad about.

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adjacent 9-10. The more the British ___ (eld) the American colonies by taxing them unfairly, the more the colonists' animosity^o toward the British ___ (eld).

exploit

escalate

Final Check: Death of the Big Top

Here is a final opportunity for you to strengthen your knowledge of the ten words. First read the following selection carefully. Then fill in each blank with a word from the box at the top of the previous page. (Context clues will help you figure out which word goes in which blank.) Use each word once.


For generations, the traveling circus was a part of the American landscape. The excitement would begin with the arrival of a caravan of trucks loaded with freakish performers and unusual animals. Crowds from (1) adjacent towns would gather, (2) engross (eld) by the sight of workers putting up "The Big Top"—the tent that houses the performance. "When are you going?" would be the question on everyone's lips. No one would think of missing such a show!

But today, few traveling circuses exist. They have disappeared for several reasons. First of all, entertainment is everywhere today. With multiplex cinemas, wide-screen TVs, on-demand shows, social media, and YouTube, people don't need to go to the circus for amusement. Compared to other forms of entertainment, a tightrope walker or a clown in "The Big Top" seems old-fashioned.

Another reason for the decline of circuses is the growing concerns about how circuses (3) exploit animals. While the sight of elephants standing on their hind legs or tigers jumping through fiery hoops once (4) elicit (eld) cheers and other expressions of (5) acclaim, today's audiences care about the welfare of animals. Too often, circus animals were put through strict (6) methodical "training" that also included being beaten, frightened, and starved to make them perform. Furthermore, the animals were forced to live in cramped cages as they traveled from one town to another.

For years, animal rights groups worked to (7) terminate these practices, which they consider amoral^o. Using such tools as secret cameras, they produced (8) tangible evidence of abuse, such as photographs of wounds on animals. In response, adamant^o protests against animal cruelty (9) escalate (eld), and circus crowds grew smaller. Fewer people were willing to attend performances.

Although traveling circuses were a colorful part of America's history, they are becoming (10) obscure. From the animals' point of view, that is a good thing.



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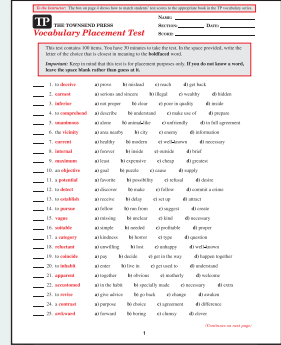
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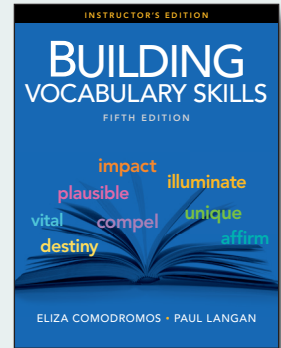
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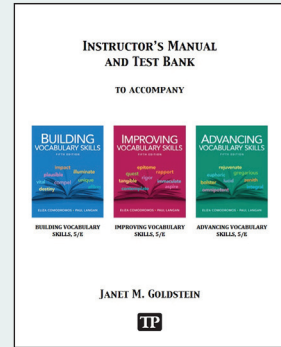
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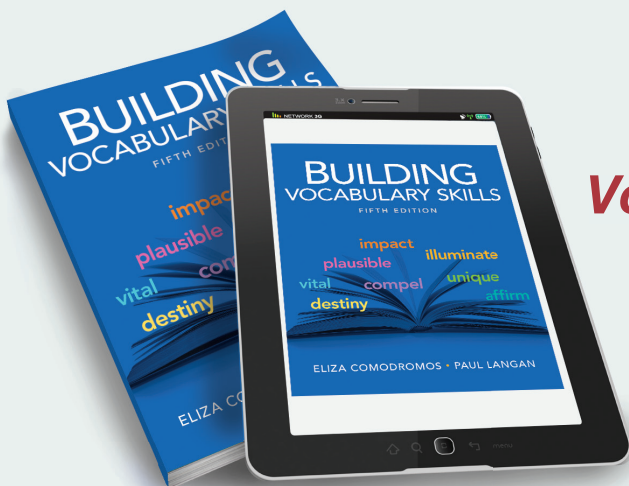


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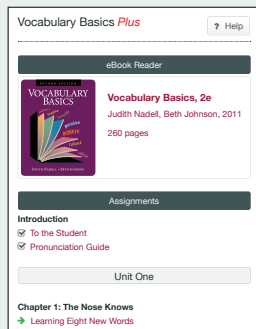
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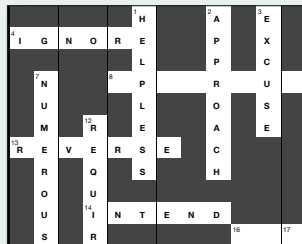
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The word part **anti-** means

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My **stint** in the bookkeeping head. I don't expect supervisors done something wrong. Keller's by his **antipathy** toward us. His complete (3) _____ of needs that we all tried to (4) _____ where we could hardly add two

Within a few weeks, even the **subversive** thoughts. Our frustr

worker in front of everyone else, using such **derogatory** terms ("Stupid! A suddenly decided that our **recourse**," was to go over Keller's head—to group, present our **vehement** denunciation of Keller directly to his boss.

Our meeting in her office began in (9) _____ but then we set as possible so she could understand exactly what had been going on. We deeply troubled department and that if Keller stayed, the (10) _____ That was Friday afternoon. On Monday morning, our **spontaneous** action

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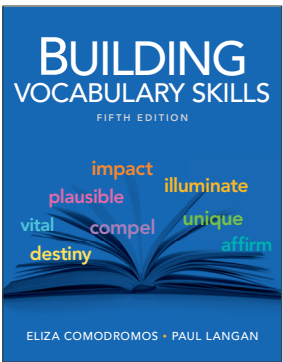
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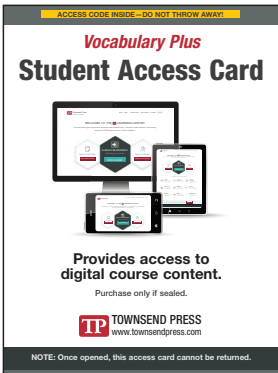
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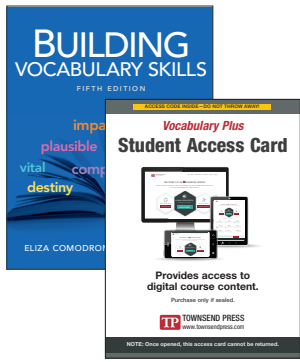
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