**Vocabulary Words for the Week of 9/5/11: Unit 1 Week 3**

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| **1.** | **altered** | **Adj/v** | **To change in some way** |
| **2.** | **erode** | **v** | **To wear away bit by bit** |
| **3.** | **absorb** | **v** | **To soak up or take in** |
| **4.** | **concentrated** | **Adj**  | **Close together in one place; when a substance is built up and not weakened by mixing with something else** |
| **5.** | **innovations** | **n** | **Inventions or new ideas** |
| **6.** | **adverse** | **n** | **Unfavorable; negative** |
| **7.** | **arid** | **adj** | **Extremely dry** |
| **8.** | **assailant** | **n** | **A person who attacks violently** |
| **9.** | **billow** | **n/v** | **(n) a large wave; (v) to rise or swell like a wave** |
| **10.** | **confront** | **v** | **To meet face-to-face to challenge** |
| **11.** | **constrain** | **v** | **To hold back** |
| **12.** | **contemporary** | **adj/n** | **(adj) Belonging to the same period of time as oneself; (n) a person of the same time** |
| **13.** | **depict** | **v** | **To portray; to represent in a show or in a picture** |
| **14.** | **disinterested** | **adj** | **Fair-minded; free from selfish motives** |
| **15.** | **encompass** | **v** | **To encircle, reach around or include** |

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