# 3500 ACT Vocabulary (2)

#### baboon

(бабуина) large terrestrial monkeys having doglike muzzles

#### bacchanalian

(вакханалий) drunken; relating to reveling and drunkenness

## badinage

(болтовня) teasing conversation; good-humored, playful conversation

### baffle

(перегородки) frustrate as by confusing or perplexing; impede force or movement of

#### balanced

(сбалансированного) hold or carry in equilibrium

#### bald

(лысый) hairless; lacking a natural or usual covering

#### baleful

(зловещий) portending evil; harmful in intent or effect.

#### balk

(Бок) stop short and refuse to go on; refuse obstinately or abruptly

#### ballast

(балласта) heavy substance used to add stability or weight

## balloon

(воздушный шар) large non-rigid bag filled with gas or heated air

#### banal

(банально) obvious and dull; commonplace; lacking originality

#### bandanna

(бандану) large and brightly colored handkerchief; often used as a neckerchief

#### bandleader

(оркестра) leader of a dance band; musician who leads a band of musicians

## bandy

(хоккей с мячом) discuss lightly or glibly; exchange words heatedly

## banner

(Баннер) flag; sign; a newspaper headline that runs across the full page

## banquet

(банкет) feast; entertainment of eating and drinking

## **bantering**

(насмешливо) good-natured ridiculing; cleverly amusing in tone

#### barber

(Парикмахер) haircutter; one whose business is to cut hair and to shave or trim beards

### bard

(бард) poet, especially lyric poet

## barely

(едва) just; only; hardly; scarcely

## barge

(баржа) flatboat; long, large boat for transporting freight that is unpowered and towed or pushed by other craft

## baroque

(барокко) complex or bizarre, especially in ornamentation; irregular in shape

## barrage

(заграждения) artificial obstruction; heavy curtain of artillery fire; rapid, concentrated discharge of missiles

#### barricade

(баррикада) hastily put together defensive barrier; obstacle

#### barterer

(осуществляющее обмен лицо) trader; one who trades goods for other goods without involving money

#### bask

(греться) luxuriate; take pleasure in warmth

#### bastion

(бастион) fortress; projecting part of fortification; well-fortified position

### bate

(БАТЭ) let down; restrain; lessen force or intensity of; moderate

#### bauble

(�зделушки) small, showy ornament of little value; child's plaything or toy

# bawdy

(похабные) indecent; obscene; humorously coarse

#### beard

(борода) hairy growth on or near the face of certain mammals

### beatific

(блаженной) completely happy and contented; showing or producing exalted joy

#### beatitude

(блаженство) blessedness; state of extreme happiness

### becalm

(успокаивать) keep from motion, or stop progress of; make calm or still

#### beckon

(манят) signal or summon, as by nodding or waving; attract because of inviting or enticing appearance

## becloud

(затемнять) make less visible; obscure or blur; darken with or as if with clouds

## bedizen

(наряжать) ornament something in showy, tasteless, or gaudy finery

## bedraggle

(замарать) wet thoroughly; stain with mud; soil or wet by dragging in dirt, mud, moist places

## bedrock

(основой) foundation; basis; solid rock that underlies loose material, such as soil, sand, clay, or gravel

#### beeline

(Билайн) direct, quick route; direct, straight course

### befuddle

(одурманивать) confuse thoroughly; becloud and confuse, as with liquor; make stupid with alcohol

### beget

(порождает) produce; give rise to

# beguile

(обмануть) mislead; delude; deceive by guile

#### behemoth

(Бегемот) huge creature; something enormous in size or power

#### belabor

(бить) discuss repeatedly; attack verbally; work hard upon

#### belated

(запоздалый) having been delayed; done or sent too late

## beleaguer

(осаждать) besiege or attack; harass; surround with troops

### belie

(опровергают) contradict; give a false impression

### bellicose

(Воинственные) warlike or hostile in manner or temperament; showing or having impulse to be combative

# belligerent

(воюющих) inclined or eager to fight; aggressive

### bemoan

(оплакивать) regret strongly; express disapproval of

#### bemused

(ошеломленный) confused; lost in thought; preoccupied

### benediction

(благословение) blessing; invocation of divine blessing; expression of good wishes

## beneficial

(полезных) helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

# benign

(доброкачественной) kindly; favorable; not malignant

# bequeath

(завещать) leave to someone by a will; hand down

## bequest

(наследство) inheritance; legacy; act of giving, leaving by will, or passing on to another

#### berate

(ругать) rebuke or scold angrily and at length

#### bereavement

(утраты) grievous loss; particularly, the loss of a relative or friend by death

#### bereft

(лишен) deprived of; lacking; desolate because of loss

### beset

(сталкиваются) attack from all sides; trouble persistently; hem in

## besiege

(осаждать) surround with armed forces; harass with requests

#### besmirch

(опорочить) soil, smear so as to make dirty or stained

### bestial

(звериной) beastlike; brutal; lacking in intelligence or reason

## bestow

(даровать) give as gift; present

#### betoken

(означать) signify; indicate; be a visible sign of; give evidence of

## betroth

(обручу) become engaged to marry; promise to marry

### bevy

(собрание) large group; a group of animals or birds, especially larks or quail

### bewilder

(замешательство) lead into perplexity or confusion; perplex with mazes

#### bicameral

(двухпалатного) composed of or based on two legislative chambers or branches

## bicker

(ссориться) engage in a petty, bad-tempered quarrel

#### biennial

(двухгодичной) every two years; lasting or living for two years

## bigotry

(фанатизм) stubborn intolerance; excessive zeal or warmth in favor of a party, sect, or opinion

#### bilious

(желчных) suffering from indigestion; appearing as if affected by disorder; sickly

#### bilk

(обмануть) defraud or cheat; frustrate or disappoint; evade or escape from

#### bill

(законопроекта) invoice; act; proposal; statement or list of particulars, such as a theater program or menu

## billowing

(вздымающиеся) swelling out in waves; surging; stormy; affected by storms

## bitter

(горький) harsh or corrosive in tone; painful; acrid; acrimonious

#### bivouac

(бивак) temporary encampment; a site where people on holiday can pitch tent

### bizarre

(странное) fantastic; violently contrasting; strangely unconventional in style or appearance

## blanch

(бланшировать) cause to turn white or become pale; take color from; bleach

#### bland

(мягкий) lacking stimulating or mild; agreeable

### blandishment

(обольщение) flattery; speech or action expressive of affection or kindness, and tending to win the heart

#### blanket

(одеяло) heavy, loosely woven fabric, usually of wool, and having a nap, used in bed clothing

#### blare

(рев) loud, harsh roar or screech; dazzling blaze of light

#### blast

(взрыва) explode; burst; gale; very strong gust of wind or air

#### blench

(закрывать глаза) draw back, from lack of courage or resolution; turn pale, as if in fear

# blighted

(омрачена) suffering from a disease; destroyed, ruined, or spoiled

#### blithe

(веселый) gay; joyous; carefree and lighthearted

#### block

(блок) hinder; obstruct; indicate broadly without great detail; sketch

#### bloom

(цветения) flower; blossom; best time of youth; period of greatest prosperity or productivity

# bludgeon

(дубинкой) short heavy club, usually of wood; heavy-headed weapon

## blues

(Блюз) gloom; depressed spirits

### blunder

(ошибка) serious mistake typically caused by ignorance or confusion

#### blunt

(тупой) having a dull edge or end; not sharp; lacking in feeling; insensitive

## bluster

(бахвальство) blow in heavy gusts; speak in a loudly arrogant or bullying manner

## boastful

(хвастливые) exhibiting self-importance

#### bohemian

(богемной) unconventional in an artistic way

## boisterous

(шумной) rough and stormy; loud, noisy, and lacking in restraint or discipline

## bolster

(укреплению) support or prop up with or as if with a long narrow pillow or cushion

#### **bombardment**

(бомбардировки) attack with missiles; continuous attack with shot and shell upon a town, fort, or other position

#### **bombastic**

(напыщенного) pompous; using inflated language; high-sounding but with little meaning

#### boon

(благом) blessing; benefit bestowed, especially in response to a request

#### boorish

(хамского) rude and clumsy in behavior; ungentlemanly; awkward in manners

#### bore

(отверстие) drill; make a hole in or through, with or as if with a drill

#### bounce

(отказов) jolt; rebound after having struck an object or a surface

## boundary

(границы) dividing line; border; frontier

#### boundless

(безграничной) being without boundaries or limits; infinite; vast

#### bountiful

(обильный) abundant; graciously generous; giving freely and generously

#### bovine

(бычьего) dull, slow-moving, and stolid, like an ox; placid and dull

#### bow

(лук) inclination of head, or bending of body for reverence, respect, civility, or submission; bending or rounded part of ship forward

### bowdlerize

(выбрасывать все нежелательное из текста) edit by omitting or modifying parts considered offensive, vulgar, or otherwise unseemly

## bowlegged

(кривоногий) have legs that curve outward at the knees

## braggart

(XBactyH) boaster; one given to loud, empty boasting; very talkative person

### brandish

(размахивать) move or wave, as a weapon; raise and move in various directions

## brawl

(драка) fight; noisy quarrel or fight; loud party

# brawling

(драки) noisy; act of quarreling or fighting; making the noise of rushing water

### brawn

(Браун) solid and well-developed muscles, especially of the arms and legs

#### breadth

(ширина) measure or dimension from side to side; width; extent

## breakup

(распада) divorce; separation; loss of control or composure

# brevity

(краткость) quality or state of being brief in duration; concise expression

## brindled

(пестрый) of brownish, tawny colour, with streaks, spots, or patterns

## brisk

(оживленная) marked by speed, liveliness, and vigor; energetic; swift; keen or sharp in speech or manner

## bristling

(ощетинившийся) rising like bristles; showing irritation

## bristly

(щетинистыми) having or covered with protective barbs or others; very irritable

#### brittle

(хрупкого) easily broken; having little elasticity

### broach

(протяжки) introduce; bring up for discussion or debate; announce

## broil

(жарить) cook by direct exposure to heat over fire; subject to great heat; be subjected to the action of heat; be greatly heated

## browbeat

(запугать) bully; intimidate; discourage or frighten with threats

#### brunt

(тяжесть) main impact or shock; main burden

## brusque

(резкий) abrupt and curt in manner or speech; rudely abrupt, unfriendly

#### **bubble**

(пузыря) foam; dome-shaped covering made of transparent glass or plastic; fantastic or impracticable idea or belief

### buccaneer

(пират) pirate; robber upon the sea

#### buckle

(пряжки) fold or collapse; bend out of shape, as under pressure or from heat

#### bucolic

(буколическое) rustic; pastoral; agricultural; relating to country affairs, or to shepherd's life and occupation

## buddy

(друзей) good friend; comrade; partner, especially one of a pair or team

# budget

(бюджет) estimate; a sum of money allocated for a particular purpose

# buffoonery

(шутовство) clowning; arts and practices of buffoon, as low jests, ridiculous pranks, vulgar tricks and postures

## **bullion**

(слитках) gold and silver in the form of bars

#### bulwark

(оплотом) earthwork or other strong defense; person who defends

## bump

(удар) impact as from a collision; lump on the body caused by a blow

## bumptious

(самоуверенный) offensively self-assertive; liable to give or take offense; forward; pushing

## bungalow

(Бунгало) small house or cottage usually having a single story and attic

## bungle

(портить) mismanage; blunder; work or act in clumsy, awkward, or blundering manner

## buoyant

(плавучей) able to float; cheerful and optimistic

## burgeon

(распускаться) grow forth; send out buds; grow or develop rapidly

## burlesque

(бурлеск) give an imitation that ridicules; imitate mockingly or humorously

# burning

(горения) marked by flames or intense heat; of immediate import; urgent

### burnish

(полировки) make shiny by rubbing; polish

#### bursar

(Казначей) treasurer or keeper of funds; purser or treasurer of college or other community

#### bustle

(суета) move or cause to move energetically and busily; teem

# butterfly

(Бабочки) insect typically having a slender body with broad colorful wings

#### **buttress**

(опоры) support physically; prop up; support something or someone by supplying evidence

#### buxom

(полная) healthily plump and ample of figure; full-bosomed; vigorous; jolly