

3000 Common SAT Vocabulary List 3

benediction

n.
(الدعاء) blessing; invocation of divine blessing; expression of good wishes

benefactor

n. Syn. patron
(مُتبرِع) gift giver; person who gives people or institutions with financial help

beneficial

a. Syn. helpful; useful
(مفيدة) helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

beneficiary

n.
(المستفيد) person entitled to benefits or proceeds of an insurance policy or will

benefit

n. Syn. welfare; gain
(المنافع) advantage; something that aids or promotes well-being ; welfare; gain

benevolent

a. Syn. generous; charitable
(الخيرية) generous in providing aid to others; charitable

benign

a. Syn. kindly; favorable
(حميدة) kindly; favorable; not malignant

bequeath

v.
(توريث) leave to someone by a will; hand down

berth

n.
(الرصيف) space for ship to dock or anchor; allotted place; place to sleep or stay; appointment or job

beseech

v. Syn. beg; plead
(نتوسل) beg; plead with; ask for or request earnestly

beset

v. Syn. harass; attack
(تعاني) attack from all sides; trouble persistently; hem in

bestial

a. Syn. brutal
(حشي) beastlike; brutal; lacking in intelligence or reason

betroth

v.
(تخطب) become engaged to marry; promise to marry

bewilder

v. Syn. confuse
(يذهل) lead into perplexity or confusion; perplex with mazes

bibliography

n.
(فهرس) list of works of a specific author or publisher; list of writings relating to a given subject

biennial

a.
(سنتين) every two years; lasting or living for two years

bilateral

a. Syn. mutual; lateral
(ثنائي اللغة) two-sided; mutual

bilingual

n.
(ثنائي اللغة) using or able to use two languages, especially with equal or nearly equal fluency

bitterness

n.
(مرارة) sharp and bitter manner

blatant

a. Syn. flagrant
(الساغر) flagrant; conspicuously obvious; loudly offensive

blaze

n. Syn. flame
(الحريق) brilliant burst of fire; destructive fire; flame

bleak

a. Syn. cold; cheerless
(التجديف) cold or cheerless; unlikely to be favorable

blemish

v.
(عيب) mark with deformity; injure or impair, as anything which is excellent; make defective, either the body or mind

blithe

a. Syn. gay; joyous; heedless
(انتفض صارخا المتضخمة) gay; joyous; carefree and lighthearted

blockade

n.
(الحصار) shutting up of a place by troops or ships; obstruction to passage

boisterous

a. Syn. violent; rough; noisy
(عاصف) rough and stormy; loud, noisy, and lacking in restraint or discipline

bolster

v. Syn. support; reinforce
(دعم) support or prop up with or as if with a long narrow pillow or cushion

boorish

a. Syn. rude; clumsy; illiterate
(متقف) rude and clumsy in behavior; ungentlemanly; awkward in manners

bore

v. Syn. drill
(تتحمل) drill; make a hole in or through, with or as if with a drill

borough

n.
(بورو) incorporated town that is not a city; association of men who gave pledges to the king for the good behavior of each other

botany

n.
(علم النبات) science which treats of the structure of plants, the functions of their parts, their places of growth, their classification

bountiful

a. Syn. abundant; liberal
(كريم) abundant; graciously generous; giving freely and generously

bowdlerize

v.
(هذب كتابا) edit by omitting or modifying parts considered offensive, vulgar, or otherwise unseemly

boycott

v.
(مقاطعة) refrain from buying or using

braggart

n. Syn. boaster
(فخور) boaster; one given to loud, empty boasting; very talkative person

brandish

v. Syn. flourish

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

bravado

n. Syn. swagger

(تجاج) defiant or swaggering behavior; pretense of courage; false show of bravery

breach

n. Syn. violation; infringement

(خرق) breaking of contract or duty

brevity

n. Syn. conciseness

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

bridle

n.

(الليجام) headgear with which a horse is directed and which carries a bit and reins

brittle

a.

(رجل يعذب هش) easily broken; having little elasticity

broach

v. Syn. introduce; announce

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

broadcast

n.

(بث) message that is transmitted by radio or television; radio or television show

brooch

n.

(بروش) ornamental clasp; decorative pin worn by women

browbeat

v. Syn. bully; intimidate

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

brusque

a. Syn. blunt; abrupt

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

buffoon

n.

(مهرج) one who makes a practice of amusing others by low tricks, antic gestures; droll; mimic; clown

buffoonery

n. Syn. clowning

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

bulwark

n.

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

bumper

n.

(اقبية) something as bars at edges to absorb shock and prevent serious damage

bumptious

a.

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

bungle

v. Syn. mismanage; blunder

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

buoyant

a.

(ازدهار) able to float; cheerful and optimistic

bureaucracy

n.

(بيروقراطية) over-regulated administrative system

burnish

v. Syn. polish

(هزلي تلميع) make shiny by rubbing; polish

bursar

n.

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

bustle

v. Syn. teem

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

buttress

v. Syn. support

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

cabal

n.

(عصابة) small group of persons secretly united to promote their own interests

cabinet

n.

(مجلس الوزراء) group of persons appointed by a head of state or a prime minister; hut; cottage; small house; small room; closet

cadaverous

a. Syn. pale

(جثي) like corpse; pale; Having appearance or color of dead human body

cadence

n. Syn. beat

(إيقاع) rhythmic rise and fall of words or sounds; beat

cajole

v.

(التملق) influence or urge by gentle urging or flattering

callow

a. Syn. youthful; immature; inexperienced

(كالم) youthful; immature; inexperienced; without feathers

calorie

n.

(السعرات الحرارية) unit of heat; unit of heat equal to the amount of heat required to raise the temperature of 1 kilogram of water by 1 degree

calumny

n. Syn. slander

(الافتراء) false statement maliciously made to injure another's reputation; slander

cameo

n.

(حجاب) piece of jewelry; a small scale used as a jewel for adornment; famous actor's special appearance in a minor role in film

campaign

n. Syn. drive; battle

(الحملة) battle ;a series of actions advancing a principle or tending toward a particular end

canary

n.

(الكناري) pale yellowish color; wine made in the Canary Islands; canary bird; quick and lively dance

candid

a. Syn. straightforward; frank

(صريح) straightforward; frank; free from prejudice; impartial

candor

n. Syn. frankness

(الصراحة) frankness; quality of being honest and straightforward in attitude and speech

canine

a.

(الكلاب) related to dogs; dog-like; affecting or derived from dogs

canon

n.

(كانون) law or rule; decision, regulation, code, or constitution made by authority; books of the Bible officially accepted; a group of literary works

cant

n.

(قادر) inclination or slope; slanted or oblique surface; jargon, especially of thieves; dialect

cantata

n.

(الأنشودة) story or poem set to music that can be sung by chorus

canto

n.

(كانتو) part or division of poem of some length

capacious

a. Syn. spacious

(رحيب) capable of containing a large quantity; spacious or roomy

capillary

n.

(الشعرية) long and slender with a very small internal diameter

capitulate

v. Syn. surrender

(الاستسلام) surrender; end all resistance; give up; go along with or comply

caprice

n. Syn. whim

(كابريس) sudden, unexpected fancy; impulsive change of mind

caption

n. Syn. title

(شرح) title; chapter heading; text under illustration

captious

a.

(إرباكي) intended to confuse in an argument

captivate

v. Syn. charm; enthrall; capture

(أسر) charm; enthrall; seize by force, as an enemy in war, or anything belonging to enemy

carcass

n.

(الجثة) dead body of an animal especially one slaughtered and dressed for food

cardiac

a.

(القلب) of or relating to the heart

cardinal

a. Syn. chief

(الكاردينال) chief; serving as an essential component

caricature

n. Syn. distortion; burlesque

(الكاريكاتير) representation that is deliberately exaggerated to produce a comic effect

carnage

n.

(مهموم) destruction of life; savage and excessive killing of many people

carnal

a. Syn. fleshly

(الكاريكاتير) fleshly; of or relating to body or flesh; bodily

carnivorous

a. Syn. predatory

(المجزرة) eating or feeding on flesh; predatory

caste

n.

(الطبقي) any of the hereditary social classes and subclasses of South Asian societies

castigate

v. Syn. punish

(الخرائط ينتقدون) criticize severely; punish; revise or make corrections to publication

casual

a. Syn. informal; purposeless; unplanned

(رسمية) informal; purposeless; occurring by chance

casualty

n.

(الضحايا) serious or fatal accident; someone injured or killed in an accident

cataclysm

n. Syn. deluge

(كارثة) an event resulting in great loss and misfortune; deluge or overflowing of water

cataract

n.

(ساد) large or high waterfall; eye abnormality

catastrophe

n. Syn. calamity; disaster

(كارثة) calamity; disaster; state of extreme ruin and misfortune

caucus

n.

(تجمع) private meeting of members of a party to select officers or determine policy

causal

a.

(سببية) implying cause-and-effect relationship

caustic

a.

(الكاوية) capable of burning, corroding, dissolving, or eating away by chemical action

cede

v.

(تنازل) yield or formally resign and surrender to another

censor

n.

(الرقيب) overseer of morals; official responsible for removal of objectionable or sensitive content

ensorious

a. Syn. critical

(الانتقادات) critical; addicted to censure; severe in making remarks on others, or on their writings or manners; implying or expressing censure

census

n.

(تعداد) official examination of the details of a country's population

centenary

a.

(المئويہ) relating to a 100-year period; occurring once every 100 years

centurion

n.

(قائد) officer of ancient Roman army, in command of a century of soldiers or minor division

cereal

n.

(الحيوب) grass such as wheat, oats, or corn, the starchy grains of which are used as food.

ceremonial

n. Syn. ritual; ceremony

(الاحتفالية) ritual; ceremony or rite

ceremonious

a.

(رسمي) marked by formality; strictly observant of or devoted to ceremony or ritual

cessation

n. Syn. stoppage

(وقف) bringing or coming to end; ceasing

cession

n. Syn. ceding

(تتازل) yielding to another; ceding or surrendering

chameleon

n.

(الحرباء) lizard that changes color in different situations

chaos

n. Syn. disorder

(الفوضى) disorder; condition or place of great disorder or confusion; disorderly mass

characteristic

n. Syn. quality;

(مميزة) feature that helps to identify, tell apart, or describe recognizably; a distinguishing mark or trait

characterize

v. Syn. distinguish

(تميز) distinguish; be characteristic of; be a distinctive trait or mark of

charlatan

n. Syn. quack

(دجال) quack; one who pretends to knowledge, skill, or importance

chasten

v. Syn. discipline

(أدب) rid of excess; refine or purify; correct by punishment or reproof

chastise

v. Syn. punish; rebuke

(عاقب) punish, as by beating; criticize severely; rebuke

chastity

n.

(العفة) state of being chaste; purity of body; freedom from unlawful sexual intercourse

chateau

n.

(شآتو) impressive country house or castle in France; large country house

check

v. Syn. control; suppress; restrict

(تحقق) stop motion; curb or restrain

chivalry

n.

(الرجولة) courtesy towards women

choleric

a.

(صفراوي) hot-tempered; easily angered; bad-tempered; expressing anger

chronology

n.

(التسلسل الزمني) time sequence; arrangement of events in time

cipher

n. Syn. code

(الشفرات) secret code; an Arabic numeral or figure; a number

circulate

v.

(إرساله) move through a space, circuit or system, returning to the starting point

circumference

n. Syn. perimeter; periphery

(محيط) boundary line of a circle, figure, area, or object

circumlocution

n.

(الشفرات) indirect or roundabout expression; evasion in speech or writing

circumscribe

v. Syn. limit; confine

(ملتوية) limit narrowly; confine; draw a line around; encircle

circumspect

a. Syn. prudent; cautious

(إطناب حذرا) carefully aware of all circumstances; cautious

citadel

n. Syn. fortress

(قلعة) fortress; fortified place which people could go for shelter during battle

cite

v. Syn. quote

(يستشهد) quote; adduce as an instance

clamorous

a.

(صخاب) speaking and repeating loud words; full of clamor; calling or demanding loudly or urgently; vociferous; noisy; bawling; loud

clan

n. Syn. faction; tribe

(عشيرة) faction; tribe; division of a tribe tracing descent from a common ancestor; a large group of relatives

clandestine

a. Syn. secret

(السرية) secret; conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods

clangor

n.

(ضجة صاخبة) loud, resounding noise; sharp, metallic, ringing sound; resonant, clanging sound

clarify

v. Syn. illuminate; elucidate

(توضيح) make clear and comprehensible; elucidate

classify

v.

(صنف) declare unavailable, as for security reasons; arrange or order by classes or categories

clearance

n.

(تخليص) act of clearing; space cleared; permission to proceed or trust

clemency

n.

(الرأفة) mildness, as of the weather; merciful, kind, or lenient act

clumsy

a. Syn. awkward; inept

(الخرقاء) awkward; showing lack of skill or aptitude

coagulate

v. Syn. congeal; clot

(تخثر) cause transformation of liquid into or as if into soft, semisolid, or solid mass

coalescence

n.

(التحام) union of diverse things into one body or form or group; growing together of parts

coalition

n. Syn. partnership; league; union

(التحالف) partnership; league; state of being combined into one body

coddle

v.

(تدليل) treat gently; cook in water just below boiling point

codicil

n.

(ملحق معاهدة الحدود المشتركة) supplement or appendix, especially to a will

coerce

v.

(إكراه) restrain by force, especially by law or authority; repress; curb