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## 3000 SAT Vocabulary Level 1 - 1: Print One-sided Flashcard

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**abandon:**

n. lacking restraint or control; feeling of extreme emotional intensity; unbounded enthusiasm

**abduction:**

n. the criminal act of capturing and carrying away by force

**abject:**

a. being of the most miserable kind; wretched; lacking pride; brought low in condition or status

**abrasive:**

a. rubbing away; tending to grind down

**absolute:**

a. perfect in quality or nature; complete; totally unlimited; certain

**absolve:**

v. pronounce clear of guilt or blame; grant remission of sin to; acquit

**absorb:**

v. assimilate or incorporate; suck or drink up; occupy full attention

**abstinence:**

n. restraint from eating or drinking; refraining from indulging appetite or desire

**abstract:**

a. theoretical; not concrete; not applied or practical; difficult to understand

**abusive:**

a. coarsely insulting; physically harmful; characterized by improper or wrongful use

**abyss:**

n. enormous chasm; vast bottomless pit; any deep, immeasurable space; hell

**academic:**

a. related to school; not practical or directly useful; relating to the scholarly organization; based on formal education

**accelerate:**

v. move faster; cause to develop or progress more quickly; occur sooner than expected

**accessible:**

a. easily approached or entered; obtainable; easy to talk to or get along with

**accessory:**

n. additional object; useful but not essential thing; subordinate or supplementary item

**accommodate:**

v. do a favor or service for; provide for; supply with; make suitable; adapt; allow for

**accomplice:**

n. partner in crime; associate in wrongdoing

**accord:**

n. settlement or compromise of conflicting opinions; written agreement between two states

**acknowledge:**

v. declare to be true or admit; express obligation, thanks

**acme:**

n. the highest point or level, as of achievement or development; maturity or perfection of animal

**acquire:**

v. gain through experience or effort; gain possession of; locate with a tracking system

**acquittal:**

n. state of being found or proved not guilty; judgment of not guilty

**acute:**

a. quickly perceptive; keen; having a sharp point or tip; extremely sharp or severe

**adage:**

n. wise saying; brief familiar proverb; expression of popular wisdom

**adamant:**

a. extremely hard; inflexible; stubbornly unyielding

**adapt:**

v. make fit for; change to suit a new purpose

**addiction:**

n. the compulsive physiological and psychological need for a substance; being abnormally dependent on something

**address:**

v. make a formal speech to; deal with or discuss; direct efforts or attention of

**adept:**

a. expert at; very skilled; having or showing knowledge and skill and aptitude

**adhere:**

v. stick fast; stick to firmly; be compatible or in accordance with

**adjacent:**

a. adjoining; neighboring; close to; lying near

**administration:**

n. management; supervision; people who are in charge of management; the activity of government for powers and duties

**adolescence:**

n. state of growing up from childhood to manhood or womanhood; transitional period between youth and maturity

**adversary:**

n. the opponent in a contest; someone who offers opposition

**adverse:**

a. in opposing direction; harmful or unfavorable; acting or serving to oppose

**adversity:**

n. state of misfortune, hardship, or affliction; misfortune

**advocate:**

v. speak, plead, or argue in favor of; plead for; push for something

**aesthetic:**

a. elegant or tasteful; of or concerning the appreciation of beauty or good taste

**affected:**

a. speaking or behaving in an artificial way; emotionally stirred or moved; infected or attacked

**affidavit:**

n. written statement made under oath

**affiliation:**

n. partnership; alliance; association in the same family or society

**affliction:**

n. cause or condition of pain, suffering, or distress

**aftermath:**

n. outcome; consequence, especially of a disaster or misfortune

**agenda:**

n. items of business at a meeting; list or program of things to be done or considered

**agent:**

n. one that acts on behalf of other persons or organizations

**aggressor:**

n. one that engages in aggression; a person who first attacks

**alias:**

n. assumed name; another name; a name that has been assumed temporarily

**alien:**

a. dissimilar, inconsistent, or opposed in nature; very different place, society, or person

**alienate:**

v. cause to become unfriendly or hostile; transfer property or ownership; isolate or dissociate emotionally

**alimony:**

n. payment by a husband to his divorced wife, or vice versa

**allegiance:**

n. loyalty to a nation, sovereign, or cause; fidelity to any person or thing; devotion

**alleviate:**

v. provide physical relief, as from pain; make easier; remove in part

**alloy:**

n. mixture; a combination of diverse things

**allure:**

v. attract with something desirable; be highly, often subtly attractive

**aloof:**

a. apart; remote in manner; distant physically or emotionally; reserved and remote

**altercation:**

n. a noisy quarrel; contention in words; dispute carried on with heat or anger; controversy

**amend:**

v. change for the better; improve; remove faults or errors

**amiss:**

a. out of proper order; not in perfect shape; faulty

**ammunition:**

n. military stores or provisions; articles used in weapons, as powder, balls, shot, shells

**amnesia:**

n. partial or total loss of memory, usually resulting from shock or illness

**amnesty:**

n. the general pardon granted by the government, especially for political offenses

**amoral:**

a. lacking moral sensibility; not caring about right and wrong

**ample:**

a. more than enough in size or scope or capacity; relatively large

**amulet:**

n. object worn, especially around the neck, as a charm against evil or injury; charm

**analogy:**

n. the similarity in some respects; comparison based on similarity

**anarchy:**

n. absence of governing body; state of disorder; political disorder and confusion

**anchor:**

v. secure or fasten firmly; be fixed in place; narrate or coordinate

**anecdote:**

n. a short account of the amusing or interesting event; short narrative; a secret story of history or biography

**anemia:**

n. condition in which blood lacks red corpuscles; deficiency of red blood cells; lack of vitality

**anesthetic:**

n. a substance that causes loss of sensation; producing temporary loss or impairment of feeling

**anguish:**

n. agonizing physical or mental pain; extreme suffering

**animated:**

a. having life or vigor or spirit; filled with activity; in the form of cartoon

**animosity:**

n. bitter hostility; active hatred; hostile feeling or act

**annex:**

v. append or attach; take possession of; incorporate into an existing political unit

**anomaly:**

n. irregularity; a person or something unusual; departure from the normal or common order

**anonymity:**

n. state of being nameless; one that is unknown or unacknowledged

**anonymous:**

a. having no name; having an unknown or unacknowledged name

**anthem:**

n. song of praise or patriotism; the song of devotion or loyalty

**anthropologist:**

n. one who studies history and science of mankind

**antidote:**

n. medicine to counteract a poison or disease; an agent that relieves or counteracts



**antiquated:**

a. too old to be fashionable, suitable, or useful; obsolete; aged

**antiseptic:**

n. a substance that prevents infection; a substance that restricts the growth of disease-causing microorganisms

**ape:**

v. imitate; mimic, as an ape imitates human actions

**apocalyptic:**

a. prophetic; involving or portending widespread devastation

**apparatus:**

n. a group of parts that work together to perform a given function; appliance, or device for a particular purpose

**appease:**

v. bring peace, quiet, or calm to; satisfy or relieve

**application:**

n. close attention; work of applying something; verbal or written request for assistance

**appreciate:**

v. be thankful for; increase in worth; be thoroughly conscious of

**apprehend:**

v. take into custody; arrest a criminal; grasp mentally; perceive

**appropriate:**

v. acquire; take possession of for one's own use; set apart for specific use

**aptitude:**

n. inherent ability; quickness in learning and understanding

**arbitrary:**

a. randomly chosen; determined by chance or impulse, and not by reason or principle

**arbitrator:**

n. someone chosen to judge and decide the disputed issue; one having the power to make authoritative decisions

**arcade:**

n. covered passageway, usually lined with shops; simple arched opening in a wall; vault or vaulted place

**archives:**

n. public records; place where public records are kept

**aria:**

n. operatic solo; a solo vocal piece with instrumental accompaniment

**array:**

v. set out for display or use; place in orderly arrangement

**arrest:**

v. stop or slow down; catch someone's attention; take into custody

**arrogance:**

n. overbearing pride; haughtiness; manifest feeling of personal superiority in rank, power, or estimation

**arrogant:**

a. arising from feeling or assumption of one's superiority toward others

**arsenal:**

n. storage place for military equipment; a stock of weapons

**articulate:**

a. expressing oneself easily in clear and effective language

**artifact:**

n. the object made by human beings; inaccurate observation, effect, or result

**ascertain:**

v. find out for certain; discover with certainty; make sure of

**asinine:**

a. utterly stupid or silly; inanely foolish

**aspire:**

v. seek to attain; long for; strive toward an end

**assert:**

v. declare or state with confidence; put oneself forward boldly

**assessment:**

n. act of judging or assessing; amount determined as payable

**assumption:**

n. something taken for accepted as true without proof; taking over or taking possession of

**assurance:**

n. promise or pledge; certainty; self-confidence; freedom from doubt

**asteroid:**

n. small planet; any small celestial bodies that revolve around the sun

**astral:**

a. relating to stars; star-shaped

**astronomical:**

a. enormously large or extensive; relating to astronomy

**astute:**

a. wise or keen; shrewd; with sharp intelligence

**asylum:**

n. place of refuge or shelter; protection

**atlas:**

n. a bound volume of maps, charts, or tables

**atone:**

v. make amends, as for sin or fault; pay for; turn away from sin

**attain:**

v. achieve or accomplish; gain

**attentive:**

a. alert and watchful; considerate; thoughtful

**attest:**

v. testify; authenticate, affirm to be true

**attribute:**

n. essential quality; reputation; honor

**audit:**

v. examine, verify, or correct the financial accounts of

**auditorium:**

n. area of theater or concert hall where the audience sits

**august:**

a. impressive; majestic; inspiring awe or admiration

**authoritative:**

a. weighting authority; peremptory and dictatorial

**autopsy:**

n. examination of dead body; post-mortem

**auxiliary:**

a. helper, additional or subsidiary

**avail:**

v. turn to the advantage of; be of service to; profit; promote

**avalanche:**

n. a great mass of falling snow and ice

**avenge:**

v. take vengeance for something, or on behalf of someone

**aversion:**

n. firm dislike; turning away; avoidance of a thing, situation, or behavior because of dislike

**avert:**

v. prevent; turn or cause to turn off or away

**avid:**

a. greedy; eager for; marked by keen interest and enthusiasm

**awe:**

n. mixed emotion of reverence, respect, dread, and wonder; fear, as of something evil

**babble:**

v. talk foolishly or idly; utter meaningless confusion of words or sounds

**badger:**

v. pester; annoy persistently; persuade through constant efforts

**bait:**

v. harass; tease; lure, entice, or entrap

**balm:**

n. something that relieves pain

**balmy:**

a. mild and pleasant; fragrant

**bane:**

n. something causes misery or death; curse; fatal injury or ruin

**barb:**

n. sharp projection from fishhook; openly cutting remark

**barren:**

a. desolate; fruitless and unproductive; lacking

**beam:**

n. ray of light; a long piece of metal or wood; long piece fixed or movable in structure, machine, or tool

**begrudge:**

v. resent; give or expend with reluctance; be envious of

**belittle:**

v. disparage or depreciate; put down

**benefactor:**

n. gift giver; a person who gives people or institutions financial help

**beneficial:**

a. helpful; tending to promote physical well-being

**beneficiary:**

n. a person entitled to benefits or proceeds of an insurance policy or will

**benevolent:**

a. generous in providing aid to others; charitable

**benign:**

a. kindly; favorable; not malignant

**bent:**

a. determined to do or have

**berserk:**

a. mentally or emotionally upset; deranged; excessively agitated

**beseech:**

v. beg; plead with; ask for or request earnestly

**bestow:**

v. give as a gift; present

**betray:**

v. be unfaithful; reveal unconsciously or unwillingly

**biased:**

a. favoring one person or side over another; prejudiced

**bizarre:**

a. fantastic; violently contrasting; strangely unconventional in style or appearance

**bland:**

a. lacking stimulating or mild; agreeable

**blasphemy:**

n. act of claiming for oneself the attributes and rights of God; utterance or writing concerning God

**blatant:**

a. flagrant; conspicuously obvious; loudly offensive



**bleak:**

a. cold or cheerless; unlikely to be favorable

**bloated:**

a. swollen or puffed as with water or air

**bluff:**

n. the pretense of strength; mislead or deceive

**blunt:**

a. having a dull edge or end; not sharp; lacking in feeling; insensitive

**blurt:**

v. utter suddenly and impulsively

**bode:**

v. foreshadow; indicate by signs; be an omen of; predict

**bogus:**

a. counterfeit or fake; not authentic; not genuine

**bolt:**

v. dash or dart off; move or jump suddenly

**booming:**

a. deep and resonant; flourishing; thriving

**boundless:**

a. being without boundaries or limits; infinite; vast

**bourgeois:**

a. middle class; selfishly materialistic; dully conventional

**boycott:**

v. refrain from buying or using

**bravado:**

n. defiant or swaggering behavior; the pretense of courage; false show of bravery

**brazen:**

a. having loud, usually harsh, resonant sound; shameless

**breach:**

n. breaking of contract or duty; breaking of waves or surf; fissure or gap

**brittle:**

a. easily broken; having little elasticity

**brochure:**

n. pamphlet; small book usually having a paper cover

**brooch:**

n. ornamental clasp; decorative pin worn by women

**browse:**

v. graze; skim or glance at casually

**buffet:**

n. table with food set out for people to serve themselves; meal at which people help themselves to food that's been set out

**bureaucracy:**

n. over-regulated administrative system

**burly:**

a. husky; muscular and heavily built

**cache:**

n. hiding place; secret store of valuables or money

**cadaver:**

n. corpse; dead body, especially one intended for dissection

**calculated:**

a. deliberately planned; carefully thought out in advance

**caliber:**

n. ability; degree or grade of excellence or worth; diameter of a tube or gun barrel

**callous:**

a. emotionally hardened; unfeeling; toughened

**camouflage:**

v. exploit natural surroundings to disguise something; conceal

**candor:**

n. frankness; quality of being honest and straightforward in attitude and speech

**canine:**

a. related to dogs; dog-like; affecting or derived from dogs

**cant:**

n. inclination or slope; slanted or oblique surface; jargon, especially of thieves; dialect

**capacity:**

n. mental or physical ability; ability to accommodate

**caprice:**

n. sudden, unexpected fancy; impulsive change of mind

**caption:**

n. title; chapter heading; text under illustration

**carat:**

n. unit of weight for precious stones; a measure of fineness of gold

**cardinal:**

a. chief; serving as an essential component

**cardiologist:**

n. the doctor who specializes in medical problems related to heart

**carnage:**

n. destruction of life; the savage and excessive killing of many people

**carnal:**

a. fleshly; of or relating to body or flesh; bodily

**cascade:**

n. small waterfall; sudden downpour

**casualty:**

n. serious or fatal accident; someone injured or killed in an accident

**catalyst:**

n. an agent which brings about chemical change while it remains unaffected and unchanged

**catastrophe:**

n. calamity; disaster; state of extreme ruin and misfortune

**catholic:**

a. broadly sympathetic; universal; related to Roman Catholic Church

**caucus:**

n. a private meeting of members of a party to select officers or determine policy

**cavalier:**

a. offhand or casual; given to haughty disregard of others

**celebrated:**

a. famous; well-known; having illustrious past

**censor:**

n. overseer of morals; official responsible for removal of objectionable or sensitive content

**cerebral:**

a. relating to the brain or cerebrum; intellectual rather than emotional

**champion:**

v. protect or fight for the first place

**chaotic:**

a. in utter disorder; lacking visible order or organization

**charisma:**

n. divine gift; great popular charm or appeal of a political leader

**charlatan:**

n. quack; one who pretends to knowledge, skill, or importance

**chaste:**

a. morally pure in thought or conduct; decent and modest

**check:**

v. stop motion; curb or restrain

**checkered:**

a. divided into squares; diversified in color; marked by great changes or shifts in fortune

**chisel:**

n. a metal tool with a sharp edge used to cut and shape stone, wood, or metal

**chivalrous:**

a. having qualities of ideal knight; faithful; brave

**choreography:**

n. art of representing dances in written symbols; the arrangement of dances

**chronic:**

a. lasting for a long period; marked by frequent recurrence, as certain diseases

**chronicle:**

v. report or record in chronological order

**cite:**

v. quote; adduce as an instance

**civil:**

a. having to do with citizens or the state; courteous and polite

**clairvoyant:**

n. having foresight; fortuneteller

**clandestine:**

a. secret; conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods

**clasp:**

n. fastening device; firm grip

**clemency:**

n. mildness, as of the weather; merciful, kind, or lenient act

**clientele:**

n. clients of professional person; the body of customers or patrons

**clip:**

n. a small section of filmed or filed material

**clout:**

n. blow, especially with the fist; great influence, especially political or social

**coalition:**

n. partnership; league; state of being combined into one body

**coercion:**

n. use of force to get someone to obey

**coin:**

v. make pieces of money from metal; invent or fabricate

**coincidence:**

n. two or more things occurring at the same time by chance

**collage:**

n. work of art put together from fragments

**collateral:**

n. security pledged for repayment of loan

**colossal:**

a. of extraordinary size; huge; gigantic

**comatose:**

a. in coma; extremely sleepy; unconscious

**commemorate:**

v. serve as a memorial to; honor the memory of with a ceremony

**communal:**

a. held in common; of a group of people



**commute:**

v. obtain or bargain for exemption or substitution; regularly travel from a place of residence to another place

**compact:**

n. small and economical car; small cosmetics case

**compatible:**

a. harmonious; having similar disposition and tastes

**compelling:**

a. overpowering; drivingly forceful; urgently requiring attention

**complement:**

v. complete; consummate; make perfect

**compliance:**

n. readiness to yield; happy friendly agreement

**component:**

n. element; ingredient; abstract part of something

**compound:**

n. combination of two or more elements or parts

**comprehensive:**

a. thorough; including all or everything; broad in scope

**compress:**

v. close; squeeze or press together; contract

**compromise:**

v. adjust or settle by making mutual concessions; endanger the interests or reputation of

**compute:**

v. reckon; make a mathematical calculation

**concede:**

v. admit; yield; give up physical control of another

**conception:**

n. beginning; forming of an idea; an act of conceiving

**concession:**

n. act of yielding; point yielded; acknowledgment or admission

**concord:**

n. agreement of opinions; harmonious state of things

**conundrum:**

n. riddle; difficult problem; dilemma

**convene:**

v. cause to come together formally

**convention:**

n. social or moral custom; formal meeting of members, representatives, or delegates; agreement between states

**conventional:**

a. based upon traditional rules; formed by agreement or compact

**converse:**

v. chat; talk informally; engage in a spoken exchange of thoughts

**convert:**

n. change something into another form; transform

**conviction:**

n. the judgment that someone is guilty of a crime; strongly held belief

**cordial:**

a. gracious; showing warmth and friendliness

**coronation:**

n. ceremony of crowning queen or king

**corroborate:**

v. establish or strengthen as with new evidence or facts; support with evidence

**cosmic:**

a. of the universe; vast

**cosmopolitan:**

a. sophisticated; of worldwide scope

**covert:**

a. secretive, not openly shown

**curator:**

n. one who manages museum or library; superintendent; manager

**curt:**

a. having been shortened; effectively cut short; rudely brief or abrupt, as in speech or manner

**cynical:**

a. skeptical of motives of others; selfishly calculating; negative or pessimistic

**dabble:**

v. splash liquid gently and playfully; undertake something without serious intent

**dank:**

a. disagreeably damp or humid; cold moisture; unpleasant humidity

**deadlock:**

n. standstill resulting from the opposition of two forces or factions; stalemate

**debacle:**

n. sudden downfall; complete disaster

**debris:**

n. remains of something that has been destroyed or broken up

**debutante:**

n. young woman making formal entrance into society

**decipher:**

v. convert code into ordinary language; read with difficulty

**decorum:**

n. propriety in manners and conduct; good taste in manners; conventions or requirements of polite behavior

**decoy:**

n. lure or bait; means used to mislead or lead into danger

**default:**

n. failure to act; an option that is selected automatically

**defer:**

v. delay till later; put off; hold back to a later time

**defiance:**

n. refusal to yield; readiness to contend or resist

**definitive:**

a. final; complete; precisely defined or explicit

**deflect:**

v. turn aside; draw someone's attention away from something

**defuse:**

v. remove the fuse of the bomb; reduce or eliminate the threat

**degenerate:**

v. become worse; decline; fall

**degradation:**

n. humiliation; debasement; decline to a lower condition, quality, or level

**delectable:**

a. delightful; delicious; extremely pleasing to the sense of taste

**delete:**

v. erase; strike out; remove or make invisible

**deliberate:**

v. consider; think about carefully; weigh

**delusion:**

n. false belief; mistaken or unfounded opinion

**demeanor:**

n. conduct; management; way in which a person behaves

**demented:**

a. insane; mad; of unsound mind; mentally ill

**demise:**

n. end of existence or activity; termination

**demolition:**

n. act of overthrowing, pulling down, or destroying

**deploy:**

v. position troops in readiness for combat, as along a front or line; put into use or action

**deposition:**

n. testimony under oath; the act of depositing, especially laying down of matter by natural process

**deranged:**

a. disordered; especially in mind; crazy; insane