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*Things Fall Apart* - Words for Vocabulary Test 1

We will be having a vocabulary test on our first day back from the break. Please study these words and definitions. **In addition, on the back of this page, create a sentence using each of these words.**

1. improvident (adj) - neglecting to provide for future needs
2. gourds (n) - the hard-shelled fruit of various plants
3. loafer (n) - lazy person; idler
4. amiss (adj) - improper; wrong; faulty
5. uncanny (adj) - mysterious; arousing superstitious fear or dread; uncomfortably strange
6. haggle (v) - to bargain in a petty and often contentious manner
7. sinister (adj) - threatening or portending evil, harm, or trouble; ominous
8. ultimatum (n) - a final proposal or statement of conditions
9. foolhardy (adj) - recklessly or thoughtlessly bold; foolishly rash
10. oracle (n) - a person who delivers authoritative, wise, or highly regarded and influential pronouncements
11. imperious (adj) - domineering in a haughty manner; dictatorial; overbearing
12. interim (n) - an intervening time; interval; meantime
13. capricious (adj) - subject to, led by, or indicative of a sudden, odd notion or unpredictable change; erratic
14. incipient (adj) - beginning to exist or appear; in an initial stage
15. abomination (n) - anything greatly disliked or abhorred
16. benevolent (adj) - characterized by or expressing goodwill or kindly feelings
17. disquieting (adj) - causing anxiety or uneasiness; disturbing
18. intervene (v) - to come between disputing people, groups, etc.; intercede; mediate
19. atone (v) - to make amends or reparation, as for an offense or a crime
20. ordained (v) - destined or predestined



