**Vocabulary Sheet #5**

Benediction

Contradict

Edict

Dictation

Diction

Indictment

Judicious

Jurisdiction

Malediction

Preamble

Precedent

Preclude

Predecessor

Predisposition

Prescience

Pick 5 words you don’t know from the list above. Use the word parts and example sentences on the back to guess what each word means. Then look up the actual definition and write your own sentence using the word.

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pre- (prefix):before dict (root): talk, speak, say

Today the Pope will make a **benediction** for all those are sick and hungry. He is a firm believer in the separation of church and state and does not think children should begin school days with a **benediction**.

Jackie will not testify during Bill’s trial because she knows her story will **contradict** his alibi. The security camera **contradicts** her story.

Under the queen’s **edict**, all male members of the royal family must serve two years in the military. The soldiers immediately obeyed their commanding officer’s **edict**.

A medical transcriptionist is responsible for listening to tapes of **dictation** from a physician. My boss asked me to take notes as he gave a **dictation** of his next letter to the board.

The writer’s **diction** is characterized by short simple sentences. Janice is taking speech classes to improve her **diction**.

The attorney advised his client to plead guilty to all but one count of the **indictment**. Stacy broke down sobbing when she heard the **indictment** that been handed down on the charge of embezzling.

Without **judicious** planning, we will not be able to finish on time. Since I have a small budget, I have to be **judicious** about my spending.

I wish I could help, but that case falls outside my **jurisdiction**. The mayor ordered that all policemen under his **jurisdiction** receive new training.

The witch’s **malediction** made the young princess fall into a deep sleep. Sometimes my luck is so bad I believe someone has placed a **malediction** on me.

As a **preamble** to his speech, the company president began the meeting by pointing out how the company had exceeded its goals. At the start, the article’s **preamble** informs readers about the topics the author will discuss.

A game like that had never happened before, so the referee had no **precedent** to help him make a decision. When one radio station set the **precedent** of not playing any music with profanity, other stations began to do the same thing.

Using home remedies should never **preclude** one from seeking trained medical help. The young gymnast suffered an injury that will **preclude** him from being part of the Olympic team.

The iPhone 5s was the **predecessor** of the iPhone 6. The latest model of the car is not as attractive as its **predecessor**.

Because my mother suffered from depression, I have a genetic **predisposition** to the condition. Janice has a **predisposition** to heart disease because she is overweight.

The struggling gambler wished he had **prescience** so he could pick winning team. When we read Ann’s diary, we knew she had **prescience** and had foreseen her death.