Chapters 7 and 8

(Underlining indicates a word or word form from the Academic Word List)

Target Vocabulary: Chapter 7

adventure n.: a new and exciting event, usually a trip
appreciate v.: to value or be grateful for something or someone
area n.: the space with specific limits
assume v.: to believe that something is true even though it isn’t proven
bother v.: to annoy or make extra work for someone
conversation n.: the act of talking together casually
forgive v.: to excuse for wrongdoing
inherit v.: to receive money or property when a relative dies
interfere v.: to involve oneself into a situation or discussion not about oneself
psychologist n.: a person trained in the treatment of mental and emotional troubles
put down roots v.: to make a permanent home somewhere
relax v.: to enjoy yourself while not working
resolve v.: to find an answer to a problem or situation
wanderlust n.: the desire to travel a lot and see different parts of the world

Target Vocabulary: Chapter 8

assistant n.: a person who helps at work
bartender n.: a person who serves alcohol at a bar or restaurant
catering company n.: a business that provides food and drinks for parties

circulate v.: to move in a circle, to move from person to person in a room

companion n.: a friend, a person keeping another person company

conversation n.: a talk between two or more people

corporation n.: a type of legally established business or company

discourage v.: to try to prevent; to take away someone’s confidence or hope

executive n.: a manager in a company who has the power to spend money and hire employees

drama n.: theater, acting; a serious play, film, or TV show

greet v.: to say hello; to meet and welcome someone

high-powered adj.: having a desire to succeed and often in a position of authority

hors d’oeuvres n.: small, bite-sized portions of food served before a meal

miniature adj.: small, tiny

surround v.: to be or extend all around

unusual adj.: not normal, out of the ordinary

Activity 1: Definitions

Look at the way each underlined word is used in each sentence. Match each underlined word with the correct definition.

1. The swimming area was clearly marked by ropes and floats.

2. My assistant, Sarah, does a great job. She makes phone calls and appointments for me, and takes care of all my correspondence.

3. Our conversation lasted for hours – we had a lot to talk about.
4. Big tobacco corporations spend millions of dollars trying to get people to smoke.

5. There are several new movies in town – would you like to see a serious drama, a comedy or an action film?

_____ 1. area   a. a talk between two or more people
_____ 2. assistant  b. a type of legally established business or company
_____ 3. conversation  c. a space within specific limits
_____ 4. corporation  d. a serious play, film, or TV show; theater, acting
_____ 5. drama  e. a person who helps someone at work

**Activity 2: Word Families**

Use the words given below to fill in the word family chart. Some words will be used more than once. The first one has been done for you.

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## Activity 3: Word Forms

Complete each sentence with one of the words below. Change the word form by adding -s, -ed, -ly, or -ing if necessary.

- appreciate
- assume
- circulate
- relax
- resolve

1. We spent all day just __________ at the beach.
2. Thank you for your help – I really __________ all you’ve done for me.
3. After he failed the test, Jim __________ to study harder next time.
4. She’s more than an hour late. I think we can __________ that she’s not coming.
5. The blood __________ through the body in arteries, veins, and capillaries.