Chapter 15

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

anchor v.: to keep a boat in one place in the water
experience n.: something that you have done or something that has happened to you
fate n.: a power that controls everything that happens.
involved adj.: taking part in something; participating in something
memory n.: a way of remembering someone who has died, or a thought about an experience
suspicious adj.: if you are suspicious about someone, you do not trust him or her. If a situation is suspicious, you feel that there is something wrong with it.
tribute n.: something you do or say in order to show your respect and admiration for someone
yacht n.: a large boat (usually with a motor) that is used for cruising
drug-running n.: the act of moving illegal drugs from one place to another

Activity 1: Definitions

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

1. She’s been involved in sports since she was a little girl.
2. The fisherman anchored his boat about one hundred yards offshore.
3. We had some great experiences on our trip through Europe.
4. They felt like it was fate that brought them together again.
5. He had written “in memory of my wife” on the front page of the book.

_____ 1. involved
a. to participate in
_____ 2. anchored
b. a power that controls everything that happens
_____ 3. experience
c. to remember someone or something
_____ 4. fate
d. to keep a boat in one place by using an anchor
_____ 5. memory
e. something that you have done or something that has happened to you

Activity 2: Definitions

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

suspicious          tribute           yacht          drug-running

1. The statue was built as a __________ to all the soldiers who had died in the war.
2. The Queen Elizabeth 2 is much bigger than a __________, it’s a huge ocean liner.
3. There was something __________ in the way he was following us.
4. __________ between the US and Mexico is a billion dollar business.

Activity 3: 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.
Activity 4: Word Forms

Complete each sentence with the correct word.

1. The more we watched the film, the more we became __________ in the story.
   involve          involvement          involving           involved
2. Going to college is a very different __________ from going to high school.

   experience      experienced      experiences      experiencing

3. Learning a new language requires a lot of __________.

   memory          memorize        memorial        memorization

4. The police had several __________, but they hadn’t arrested anyone yet.

   suspicious      suspiciously   suspicion       suspects

5. Many small stores suffered a similar __________ when the huge shopping mall opened nearby.

   fate            fated           ill-fate        fateful