

11. Shakespeare said that Cassius had a “lean and hungry look,” but I would describe him with the single word _____.
12. The rise in the cost of living _____ my efforts to save some money from my small salary.
13. Although the vulture has a decidedly poor reputation, it does a useful job as a(n) _____, clearing away decaying matter.
14. Even after he retired and we expected him to slow down, his efforts in support of his beloved school remained _____.
15. Instead of giving us a clear and helpful answer, the speaker offered only the _____ prophecy that “time will tell.”
16. As a teenager, she developed a(n) _____ interest in biology that led to a lifelong career.
17. We watched in dismay as our new model airplane suddenly went out of control and _____ to the ground.
18. Their parents had _____ for many years to save the money needed to send the children to college.
19. Since I will not be able to attend the meeting, I hereby appoint Ms. Brown to act as my _____.
20. He tried to appear _____ when he heard the bad news, but I realized that he was deeply hurt.

Writing: Words in Action

1. Look back at “Aquatic Robotics” (pages 98–99). How do you think aquatic robots and deep sea exploration will change our lives? Will they lead to improvements? If so, what benefits might they yield? Write a newspaper editorial expressing your views on the potential of aquatic robots. Use at least two details from the passage and three Unit words to support your ideas.
2. In addition to exploring the deep seas, robots are also being used in the workplace. Instead of people performing specific tasks, robots do the work. Robots can be found in factories, offices, hospitals, and research facilities. What is your opinion about robots in the workplace? Are there some tasks that robots can do better or more safely than humans, or is robot labor just another money-saving device that will put people out of jobs? Write a brief essay in which you state your position on this topic and support it with information from the reading (refer to pages 98–99), your own observations, your knowledge, or your personal experience. Write at least three paragraphs, and use three or more words from this Unit.