***Nineteen Eighty-Four* by George Orwell**

**Vocabulary Lists**

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| **Part 1—*1984***     1. Truncheon – club, police officer’s stick  2. Aureole – halo  3. Mutable – changeable [mutability – changeability; changeableness]  4. Myriad – innumerable  5. Labyrinthine – complicated, intricate  6. Vapid – dull; uninterested  7. Sinecure – easy job  8. Palpable – obvious  9. Anodyne –relief from pain  10. Convoluted – coiled  11. Officious – meddlesome  12. Lassitude – fatigue  13. Sanguine – ruddy  14. Nebulous – unclear; vague  15. Urbane – sophisticated  16. Inexorably – relentlessly; without stopping  17. Demeanor – behavior  18. Philologist – a person who studies languages and their development  19. Abject – spiritless  20. Frontispiece – an illustration facing the title page of a book  21. interminable – never-ending  22. concertina – an accordion; here used to mean very wrinkled  23. altercation – a noisy, angry dispute |

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| **Part 2—*1984***  1. Fatuous – foolish; silly  2. Etiolate – weaken [etiolated – pale; sickly]  3. Obeisant – meek [obeisance – bow]  4. Prosaic – factual  5. Febrile – feverish  6. Simian – apelike  7. Persiflage – frivolity; light joking  8. Feral – savage  9. Fecund – fertile  10. Spurious – counterfeit  11. Inimical – hostile  12. Avaricious – greedy  13. Nucleus – center  14. Ossify – harden; grow rigidly conventional  15. Livid – discolored  16. Malignant – evil  17. Enunciate – proclaim; pronounce very clearly  18. Iniquity – evil; sin  19. Orator – skilled public speaker  20. Oarangue – rant; make a vehement speech  21. Meritorious – deserving of honor  22. Latent – existing but not yet developed  23. Tenets – beliefs  24. Drivel – stupid things [driveling – imbecilic] |

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| **Part 3—*1984***  1. Insidious – sly  2. Surly – sullen  3. Prevaricate – lie  4. Vindicate – confirm; justify  5. Quail [v] – cower; flinch  6. Degrade – debase; make lower or make feel lower  7. Forlorn – miserable  8. Torpid – inactive  9. Premonitory – warning  10. Cauterize – sear  11. Abstruse – complex  12. Equivocation – uncertainty  13. Heretic – dissenter  14. Bludgeon – v beat with a club    n. – a weapon; a heavy object such as a baseball bat  15. Hedonistic – pleasure seeking  16. Capitulate – give up  17. Haggle – argue [hagglings – arguments] |