***Ender’s Game* Vocabulary Words**

**New and Improved! (And much, much shorter!)**

**For each word, copy the sentence in which the word is used in *Ender’s Game*. Then write the definition of that word. See the example below. Do this in the VOCABULARY section of your COMPOSITION NOTEBOOK, please! ☺ (Jot down page numbers as we read.)**

EXAMPLE: 1. malleable

a. “He’s too malleable.” (page 31)

b. easily manipulated

**Chapter 1**

page\_\_\_\_ 1. malleable: easily manipulated or shaped

page\_\_\_\_ 2. submerge: to completely cover or hide

page\_\_\_\_ 3. vengeance: the act of harming someone in return for an injury; a payback

**Chapter 2**

page\_\_\_\_ 4. vivisect: to perform an operation on live animals for research

page\_\_\_\_ 5. mirth: joy usually expressed with laughter

page\_\_\_\_ 6. commiserate: to express sympathy

**Chapter 3**

page\_\_\_\_ 7. incredulous: unwilling or unable to believe something

page\_\_\_\_ 8. sanctions: threatened penalties for disobeying a rule or law

page\_\_\_\_ 9. unstinting: given freely

**Chapter 4**

page\_\_\_\_ 10. subordinates: people under the authority of others

page\_\_\_\_ 11. inexhaustible: never ending because available in unlimited quantities

page\_\_\_\_ 12. scrupulously: very concerned to avoid doing wrong

**Chapter 5**

page\_\_\_\_ 13. tentatively: done without confidence; not certain or fixed

page\_\_\_\_ 14. emulate: to try to be like or better than someone

page\_\_\_\_ 15. maladroit: clumsy

page\_\_\_\_ 16. somber: very serious

**Chapter 6**

page\_\_\_\_ 17. blustered: talked in loud or aggressive way with little effect

page\_\_\_\_ 18. cronies: close friends

**Chapter 7**

page\_\_\_\_ 19. obscure: unknown or hard to understand

page\_\_\_\_ 20. contemptuous: being disobedient or acting like someone is beneath you

page\_\_\_\_ 21. obstruct: prevent or get in the way of

**Chapter 8**

page\_\_\_\_ 22. coincide: to happen at the same time

page\_\_\_\_ 23. insubordinate: disobedient

page\_\_\_\_ 24. hegemony: dominance of one group or state over another

**Chapter 9**

page\_\_\_\_ 25. gullible: easily persuaded to believe something

page\_\_\_\_ 26. façade: a deceptive outer appearance

page\_\_\_\_ 27. exploit: treat or use unfairly

**Chapter 10**

page\_\_\_\_ 28. inevitable: unavoidable

page\_\_\_\_ 29. archaic: very old or old-fashioned

**Chapter 11**

page\_\_\_\_ 30. insolent: rude and disrespectful

page\_\_\_\_ 31. propaganda: information that is often misleading used to promote a political cause or point of view

page\_\_\_\_ 32. inept: lacking skill or ability

**Chapter 12**

page\_\_\_\_ 33. unconscionable: not right or reasonable

page\_\_\_\_ 34. inertia: a tendency to do nothing or remain unchanged

page\_\_\_\_ 35. grueling: extremely tiring or demanding

**Chapter 13**

page\_\_\_\_ 36. pacific: peaceful

page\_\_\_\_ 37. fastidious: very careful about accuracy and detail

page\_\_\_\_ 38. analogy: a way of explaining something by comparing it to something

**Chapter 14**

page\_\_\_\_ 39. magnitude: of great size or importance

page\_\_\_\_ 40. apathy: lack of interest or enthusiasm

**Chapter 15**

page\_\_\_\_ 41. jaded: lacking enthusiasm after having too much of something

page\_\_\_\_ 42. candor: the quality of being open and honest