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**McKinney Academic Vocabulary**

**List 3.4.1**

1. **abate (uh BAYT) <verb>** to reduce in intensity or amount *The actor’s popularity was* ***abated*** *after he starred in three really bad movies in a row.*
2. **baneful (BANE ful) <adjective>** a source of harm or destruction; harmful; destructive *The* ***baneful*** *herbs made the woman very ill.*
3. **contempt (kun TEMPT) <noun>** scorn, extreme dislike or disdain *San Francisco Giants fans often tend to have* ***contempt*** *for the Los Angeles Dodgers.*
4. **dexterous (DEK struss) <adjective>** skillful and active with the hands; manually adroit and skillful *The professional ping pong player was incredibly* ***dexterous****.*
5. **exalt (ig ZALT) <verb>** to glorify, to praise, to raise in rank *The architect was* ***exalted*** *for the innovation and design of his latest skyscraper.*
6. **impeccable (im PEK uh bul) <adjective>** free from fault or blame *The steak dinner at Rick’s Chophouse was* ***impeccable****; every aspect of it was perfect.*
7. **malleable (MAL ee uh bul) <adjective>** capable of being shaped, influenced, or altered; tractable *Gold is a* ***malleable*** *metal.*
8. **mortify (MORE tuh fie) <verb>** to humiliate, to wound pride, to experience shame *The football team was* ***mortified*** *after the 35-0 loss last Sunday.*
9. **savory (SAY vuh ree) <adjective>** appetizing *My mother’s homemade lasagna is truly one of the most* ***savory*** *dishes I have ever eaten.*
10. **spurn (SPURN) <verb>** to reject or refuse with hostility *The obnoxious coworker was* ***spurned*** *by her peers.*