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**McKinney Academic Vocabulary**

**List 3.5.2**

1. **anomalous (uh NAHM uh lus) <adjective>** out of place, abnormal *The man wearing the suit and tie at the neighborhood barbeque was* ***anomalous*** *because everyone else was dressed in shorts and t-shirts.*
2. **diligent (DIL eh junt) <adjective>** characterized by steady, attentive, and energetic effort in a pursuit or study *I am extremely* ***diligent*** *when I practice golf; I hit large bucket of range balls and then work on my chipping and putting for 30 minutes.*
3. **indigenous (in DIJ eh nus) <adjective>** native to a certain area *Bluebonnets are an* ***indigenous*** *to Central Texas.*
4. **parry (PAIR ee) <verb>** to deflect or to ward off; to evade or dodge *The talented boxer was able to* ***parry*** *his opponent’s punches successfully.*
5. **precipitate (preh SIP eh tate) <verb>** to hasten the occurrence of; bring about prematurely, hastily, or suddenly *When the girls started trash talking each other in the hallway, it* ***precipitated*** *the hair-pulling, fist-throwing fight.*
6. **ratify (RAT eh fie) <verb>** to confirm; to give formal approval *After much discussion and debate, the congress decided to* ***ratify*** *the new bill.*
7. **slovenly (SLUV un lee) <adjective or adverb>** messy, untidy, careless (adjective example) *The student was dressed in a very* ***slovenly*** *manner; his shirttail was hanging out, his pants were sagging, and his shoes were old and dirty. (adverb example) She was* ***slovenly*** *working on her homework, rushing through it so that she could eat supper.*
8. **tangential (tan JEN shul) <adjective>** slightly connected, digressive *I get so annoyed when that girl tries to participate in class because her comments are often* ***tangential*** *and have very little to do with the main topic we are trying to discuss.*
9. **taper (TAY pur) <verb>** to decrease in thickness or width *After you take the Advil, your physical pain will* ***taper*** *off over the next couple of hours.*
10. **vagrant (VAY grunt) <noun>** a wanderer who does not have a home *Did you see that* ***vagrant*** *hanging out under the bridge yesterday?*