

# *The Kite Runner*

## Vocabulary Chapters 15-19

**Part A: Definitions and Parts of Speech--Please commit the following definitions to memory. After each definition, please write the part of speech (N, V, ADJ, ADV)**

1. gaunt: extremely thin \_\_\_\_\_
2. incessant: unending \_\_\_\_\_
3. pragmatic: practical \_\_\_\_\_
4. presumptuous: bold; going beyond what is proper \_\_\_\_\_
5. unrequited: not returned \_\_\_\_\_
6. swathed: covered as if by cloth \_\_\_\_\_
7. arduous: difficult; painful \_\_\_\_\_
8. ruminate: to meditate thoughtfully \_\_\_\_\_
9. surly: unpleasant; rude \_\_\_\_\_

**Part B: Synonyms and Antonyms--Match the correct synonym from column A and the antonym from Column C with the vocabulary word in Column B (keep the parts of speech in mind).**

<u>Column A-Synonyms</u>	<u>Column B-Vocab</u>	<u>Column C-Antonyms</u>
A. relentless	_____ 1. gaunt _____	J. obese
B. cheeky	_____ 2. incessant _____	K. sporadic
C. discourteous	_____ 3. pragmatic _____	L. exposed
D. one-sided	_____ 4. presumptuous _____	M. effortless
E. emaciated	_____ 5. unrequited _____	N. friendly
F. ponder	_____ 6. swathed _____	O. modest
G. grueling	_____ 7. arduous _____	P. ignore
H. realistic	_____ 8. ruminate _____	Q. naive
I. cloaked	_____ 9. surly _____	R. mutual

**Part C: Sentences--Complete the following sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct vocabulary word. Change the endings of words as necessary.**

1. When \_\_\_\_\_ about your future plans, it is best to be \_\_\_\_\_ instead of focusing on silly and unrealistic dreams.
2. After years of suffering from a(n) \_\_\_\_\_ love, Jonah had become mean and \_\_\_\_\_ and refused to speak to any women.
3. The newborn baby was \_\_\_\_\_ in a cozy blanket.
4. After spending many \_\_\_\_\_ years in prison, Jeb, once lithe and fit, had become ill and \_\_\_\_\_; you wouldn't even recognize him!
5. It is \_\_\_\_\_ to assume that you will pass this class without working hard.
6. The baby's \_\_\_\_\_ crying led the new mom to break down in tears herself.