Vocabulary - By Chapter

Chapter One - Language and Culture
cause and effect - 原因及結果
contextual - depending on the surrounding time, place, person, situation
hierarchy - a vertical arrangement by rank; ハイアラーキー; 階層
hurtful - likely to cause pain or sadness
indispensable - necessary
inseparably - united, joined, unable to be separated
intermixed - mixed together
lukewarm - slightly warm
nuance - small detail of meaning or feeling
obvious - immediately easy to see or understand
omit, omitted - to leave out, exclude
potentially - possibly; possible in the future
rank - position in a hierarchy; how high or how low
rear-ended - being struck from behind in a traffic accident
relative - person in one's extended family; 親戚
seemingly - appearing or seeming to be; apparently

Chapter Two - Individuals and Groups
brag, bragging - boast, speak about oneself very highly
complicated - complex, not simple
(un)complimentary - negatively, insulting
excluded - omitted, left out, kept out
extension - for a longer time or length;
imp/implies - hint at, say indirectly
identity - one's idea of oneself, how you think of who you yourself are
illustrate - explain by example or picture
individuality - what is different about a person
proficiency - level of ability or skill
reciprocal - in exchange for, a two-way exchange
sum - total, all
Chapter Three - Equality and Hierarchy

classification - idea

contact information - name, address, telephone number, email address, etc.

demeanor - how one acts or behaves

emphasize - put stress on, express importance of

head - leader, top person

hierarchy - a vertical arrangement by rank; ハイアラーキー; 階層

holler - shout, yell

home (at home) - feel as comfortable as if one were in one's own home

horizontally - side to side, 横に

ignore - pretend not to see, pay no attention to

intimidating - frightening, making one feel inferior or powerless

minefields - areas in which hidden bombs have been planted, 地雷原

mobility - ability to move around

monologue - one person speaking

oriented - arranged by, aimed toward, prioritized by

party / parties - person, people, or group of people

pretend - act as if something were true, act out a fantasy

server - waiter or waitress

simultaneously - at the same time

staff - group of workers

state - a political unit, a country or nation

structural - having to do with how something is built or constructed

subset - group of items or people that are part of a larger group

superiority - being better than

underlying - beneath the surface, not obvious

vertically - up and down, 縦割り

Chapter Four - Formal vs. Informal

accordingly - therefore

expectations - what one expects, what one thinks will be
family name - last name, surname, 名字

*faux pas* - (French) - a social error, an embarrassing mistake

first name - given name, 下の名前

first-name basis - as friends, knowing someone well enough to call them by his first name

formal - following rules; concerned with outward form or appearance

gasp - a sudden, fast, breathing in, usually because of surprise or fear

honorific - suffix or prefix added to indicate respect

informal - casual

last name - family name, surname, 名字

law enforcement - police

*mi casa es su casa* - (Spanish) “My house is your house,” a traditional greeting of hospitality.

military - self-defense forces, 軍勢

surname - family name, last name, 名字

titles - verbal indicators of rank or position

underscore - emphasize

uniforms - special work clothes, usually the same as other workers

**Chapter Five - Harmony: 和 (Wa)**

acknowledge / acknowledgment - admit or confirm as true

based (on) - derived from original version or model

contrastive - differently

controversial - causing many different opposing reactions and opinions

density (population density) - how dense, number of people in a given area

dramatic - big, surprising

elemental / elementally - basic

forbearance - ability to bear pain or hardship

forthright(ness) - honesty, frankness

frank - honest, direct

frontier - leading edge

heated - emotional

ignore - pretend not to see, pay no attention to

justice - fairness, the correct reward or punishment
half-scale -  50% size
outback - the Australian countryside
physical characteristics - what one looks like, one's appearance
politics - 政治
pretend - act as if something were true, act out a fantasy
puppet - hand or string controlled doll
puppeteer - person who controls a puppet
quarters (close quarters) - place where one lives, usually temporary, as with a student or soldier
regret - to feel bad about one's actions; 后悔
remorse - to feel bad about one's actions; 悔悟
restitution - repayment for damages
spinach - ほうれんそう
stike/struck- hit
superceded - take precedence over, replace, make ineffective
superficial/superficially - only on the surface
theatrical - dramatic, showy
threaten/threatening - imply danger or harm for an act; make one fear violence or harm

**Chapter Six - Content and Form**
affront - insult
distress - worry, anxiety, trouble
diverge - separate from, go a different way
dramatically - severe, very obviously, easy to see
elaborate - explain more completely, give more information about
excessive - too much
exhausting - tiring
feverishly - working very quickly, in a great hurry
grammatically - regarding grammar
in the bargain - included, for free
insensitive - unaware or uncaring
ironically - surprisingly, contrary to expectation
lubricant - something that makes things go smoothly
mockery - make fun of, insult
pervasive - dominant, the general pattern
preserve - save, keep
sanity - a rational state of mind
sincerity - true feeling
social lubricant - something that helps people get along with each other comfortably
unique - one of a kind, very special
wack - crazy

Chapter Seven - Communication Patterns
aggressively - with energy and determination; using all one’s resources
aloof - snobbish, acting as if one is better than others
arrogant - over-confident; thinking of oneself as superior
at odds - in conflict with, in disagreement
chaotic - with no order
confounded - confused
constantly - without stopping
context - surrounding environment or situation
contradicting - against, disagreeing with, proving false
day to day - daily, everyday, ordinary
disagreement - fight, argument, けんか
doddering - old and senile, はげ

dominate - control, exert power over
enthusiastic - with much positive approval, with excitement
etiquette - manners
expertise - skill
exponentially - ever increasing, at a very rapid rate
forced - made one do something against one’s will
hypocritical - saying or doing one thing while believing or feeling another way;
interrupt(ed) - stop someone or something while it or they are doing something else
intonation - pitch variation in spoken language
invariably - without change, certainly, always
multiply - increase
paralyzed - unable to move
Us and Them

perspective - point of view
register - level of language politeness or formality
renowned - famous
revealing - informative, showing something, telling something
scripted - written and rehearsed
shortcoming - weak point
superficial/superficially - only on the surface
usage - in language, how people speak
variation - change in the pattern, a different form

Chapter Eight - School and Education
achievement - accomplishment, something you have done
analysis - methodical study of something
average - ordinary, the very middle of a number range
bachelor degree - usual four-year university degree
critical thinking - logical, unemotional thinking
deliberate - intentional, willfully
downplay(ed) - make it seem smaller than it is, de-emphasize
establish(ing) - starting, beginning something
excel - do very well at something
exemplified - be a good example of something
expressive - with lots of expression or feeling
facilitator - someone who makes things easier
fulfilled - satisfied, content
grade point average (G.P.A) - numerical average of school grades
numerical - related to numbers
productive - efficient, producing something
self-realization - fulfilled, becoming a complete person
self-reliance - ability to get along without outside help
socializing - going out with people

Chapter Nine - Work
account(s) - a business customer
advancement - moving up, usually in work, school, war, or competition
contractual - related to a contract
dedication - determination; focus on a task, thing, or person
examined - studied
extent - degree, how far
frustrated - unsatisfied, 隔靴搔痒
illegal - against the law
initiative - taking action on one’s own
intimate - close, personal
intimidating - fearful, frightening
marital status - if one is married, single, divorced, etc.
occupations - jobs
occur - happen
out of one’s depth - faced with too difficult a task; having too much or too difficult work
outcome - result
reflected - showed, exemplified, indicated
sexual orientation - whether one is heterosexual, homosexual, bisexual, etc.
underlying - beneath the surface, underneath
unworthy - not worthy, not good enough for
work-style - way of working, the normal way of working in a given environment

Chapter Ten - Party Time

acquaintances - casual (not close) friends
contributes - offers, gives
eliminating - removing from consideration, taking away
illustrate - explain, usually with a picture or example
inconceivable - something one is unable to imagine
indicated - shown
in sync - synchronized, at the same time, on beat, in harmony
intimacy - personal closeness
itinerary - schedule, calendar
rarely - not usually, hardly ever
self-reliant - able to get along without outside help
sit-down dinner - formal dinner party
specify, specified - state clearly
unpredictable (predictable) - unable to say what will happen, and uncertain outcome

**Chapter Eleven - Marriage and Family**

artificial insemination - becoming pregnant by medical procedure and without sexual intercourse
baby boom - period after WWII with a high birth rate
baby-sitting - watching someone else’s children, usually for money, as I a part-time job
clone (clonning) - biological copy of a living organism
daycare - center that provides care for children on a day to day basis
earning power - financial strength of a person or family; the salary one is capable of earning
extended family (vs. nuclear family) - in addition to parents and children, grandparents, uncles, aunts, etc.
financial independence - enough money to eliminate the need for work
new world - country one has emigrated to
phenomenon - occurrence, an observed event
predict - tell what will happen in the future
radical (radically) - severe, extreme
recognize - know, be aware of already knowing, understand, accept
regardless - under any conditions
rural - not urban, in the country
stigma - a negative aura, a mark of shame
surrogate mother a woman who bears a baby for another woman or couple

**Chapter Twelve - Space and Touching**

back off - give space to, stop pressuring
brush / brushing - touch lightly as one passes by
bumping - collide with
butting in line / cutting in line - step in front of others who are waiting in line
claustrophobic - afraid of small enclosed spaces
contributing - giving or adding to
craft / crafted - made by hand
cutting in line / butting in line - step in front of others who are waiting in line
density - how much or how many in a given space
fascinating - very interesting
personal space - comfortable distance from one’s body for others
population density - how many people per area unit (square mile or square kilometer)
predictable - easily forecastable, with an easy to guess outcome or result
pressed - touched with pressure
provocation - with the intent of causing others to act or react
relatively - in relation to, compared with
square kilometers - area one kilometer by one kilometer, km²
telephoto - long lens for viewing faraway objects
toothpick - 楊子
touchie-feelies - personal style marked by open expression of emotion, usually with lots of touching
wide-angle - camera lens that gives a wide view, often used in small spaces

**Chapter Thirteen - National Identity**
authoritarian - having a very strong central authority with lots of control
bigotry - prejudice
erosion - wearing away, deterioration
fascism - authoritarian, nationalistic, right-wing form of government
genocide - killing of a group or set of people, usually of one race, belief, or nationality
heritage - personal, cultural, or racial background and history
homogeneous - of one kind
immigrants - people who have come from another country
immigration - influx of people from other countries
impression - idea or feeling one gets
inevitably - certainly, for sure, with no other possible outcome or result
infinite - never ending
intermarry - marry across cultural, racial, national, or religious lines
intestines - one’s digestive system; guts; 内臟
intolerant - not accepting of others’ points of views, beliefs, or behavior
invaders - people who come uninvited and against one’s wishes, often forcefully
ironic - unexpectedly, often with a dark humorous twist
mistaken - by mistake, wrongly
myth - untrue story or fable that has become part of a culture, for example, Santa Claus
national identity - set of characteristics or beliefs thought to be shared by people of a country
nationalism - extreme form of patriotism
Native Americans - original inhabitants of North America; American Indians; in Canada, “First Citizens”
patriotism - love of and devotion to one’s country
ridiculous - silly, absurd
right-wing - conservative, reactionary, fascist political tendency
slaves - individuals completely deprived of human rights who are “owned” by other individuals
spectrum - the complete range, usually in reference to light
tolerant - accepting
tragic - very sad, with a very sad outcome; disastrous
typically - usually, normally
unique - one of a kind, very special

Chapter Fourteen - Conflict, Resolution, and Responsibility
accountability - responsibility
amends (to make amends) - to repay for one’s wrongs or mistakes
apologize (apology) - 詫びる, 請る
blindfold - cloth wrapped over the head covering one’s eyes
contract - legal agreement
contrition - regret, feeling that one has done wrong with a desire to right that wrong
depict - show, explain, or illustrate
ensure (ensuring) - make certain
erosion - wearing away, deterioration
foresee - see the future
guilt - uncomfortable feeling for something wrong one has done
just (unjust) - fair, fitting
legal responsibility - what is required by law
litigation - legal proceedings; the suing of one person by another
litigation-prone - quick to seek legal action to settle disagreements
objectively - rationally, without emotion or consideration for personal feelings
override - take precedence over, leave ineffectual
peek - a short look at
principle - a major idea or belief; 原理
self-criticism - a careful evaluation at one’s own actions
served (is best served) - benefits from, is helped by
situational - changing by context, such as who, when, where, etc.
sleazy - dishonest or immoral
specify - state clearly and in detail
sue (suits) - seek legal action against someone who you feel has wronged you
take a back seat - make a lesser priority, treat as less important
unjust (just) - unfair

Chapter Fifteen - Culture Shock
accelerated - quickened, at an increased pace
ache - dull, constant pain
burden - heavy weight, workload, responsibility
dimension - size, aspect
discomfort - uncomfortable feeling
engaged (in) - doing, active in
frustration - feeling unsatisfied, 騒騒
impulse - sudden feeling to do something without thinking about it in advance
invigorating - refreshing, stimulating
irritation - bothersome, annoying
novelties - new things or ideas
occupied - busy
re-defined - give a new meaning to
Twilight Zone - an old popular American TV show that focused on the paranormal (超常的)