

Vocabulary #5



arid

(*adj*) dry; parched

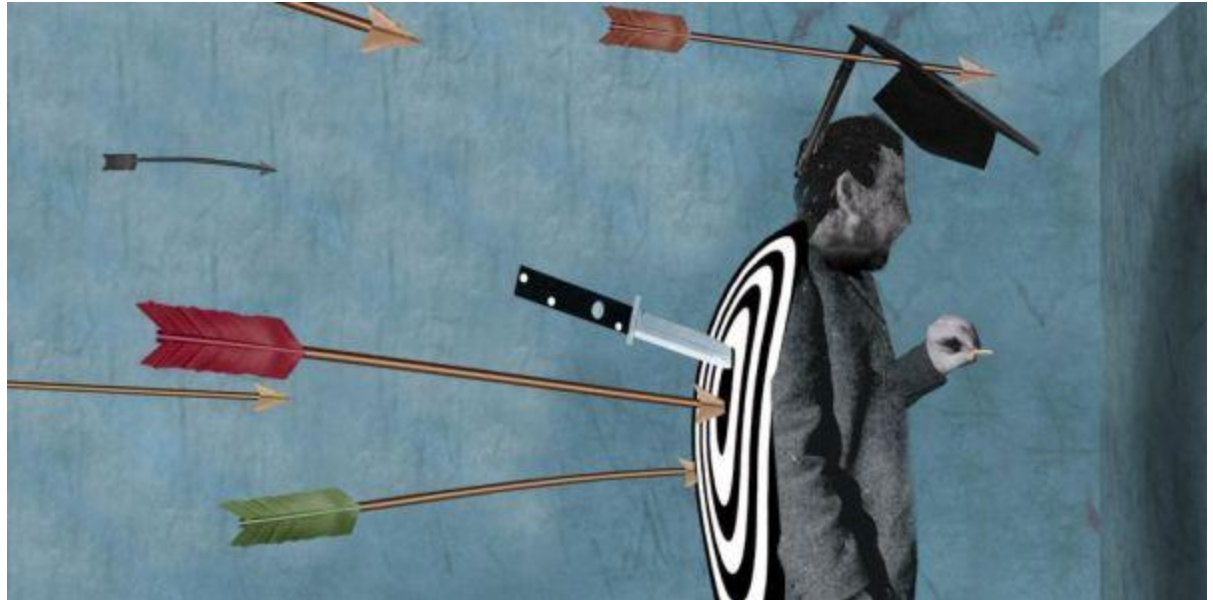
circumlocution

(*n*) an indirect or lengthy way of expressing something



derogatory

(adj) belittling;
uncomplimentary



ephemeral

A person wearing a grey hoodie and dark pants is seen from the side, standing on a dark ledge. They are releasing a large number of small, dark, triangular objects into the air. The objects are scattered across the frame, creating a sense of motion. The background is a dramatic sunset or sunrise with a bright sun low on the horizon, casting a warm, golden glow over the scene. The sky is filled with soft, white clouds. In the distance, a body of water and a hilly shoreline are visible under the low sun.

(adj) temporary; brief;
short-lived

forbearance

(n)

patience;
self-
restraint



PATIENCE

Is A Virtue

He wasn't a coward!
He would impugn such concept:
The helmet was only there



Because imposed by law

impugn

(v) to contradict

malediction

(*n*) curse; evil
spell



penchant



(*n*) a strong liking or fondness

provocative

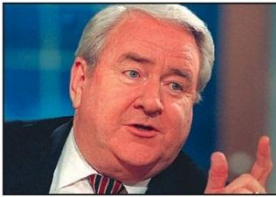
(*adj*) tempting





Hugging Up 76,000 Percent

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Jerry Falwell: Is That Guy A Dick Or What?

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Rest Of Country Temporarily Feels Deep Affection For New York

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Massive Attack On Pentagon Page 14 News

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TIME Not

Look at the numbers that shape our world.

How Have You Spent The Past Two Weeks?

1. Crying

2. Crying and

3. Feeling guilty about renting video

4. Calling loved one

5. Thinking about donating blood

6. Watching TV for 24 hours, first getting up, going to cheer for Cheez, doodling, eating Cheez, doodles, eating Cheez, Doodles aren't helping, throwing Cheez

Doodles away

September

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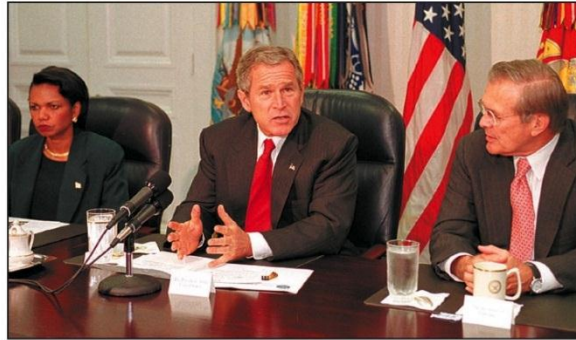
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SPECIAL REPORT



Above: Flanked by Condoleezza Rice and Donald Rumsfeld, President Bush pledges to "exact revenge, just as soon as we know who we're exacting revenge against and where they are."

U.S. Vows To Defeat Whoever It Is We're At War With

WASHINGTON, DC—In a televised address to the American people Tuesday, a determined President Bush vowed that the U.S. would defeat "whoever exactly it is we're at war with here."

"America's enemy, be it Osama bin Laden, Saddam Hussein, the Taliban, a multinational coalition of terrorist organizations, any of a rogue's gallery of violent Islamic fringe groups, or an entirely different, non-Islamic aggressive force, we will not rest until we've either heard of, or we've seen, your base."

Bush said during an 11-minute speech from the Oval Office. "The United States is preparing to strike, directly and decisively, against you, whoever you are, just as soon as we have a rough idea of your identity and a reasonably decent estimate as to where your base is located."

Added Bush: "That is, assuming you have a base."

Bush is acting with the full support of Congress, which authorized him to use any force he deems necessary.

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Hijackers Surprised To Find Selves In Hell

'We Expected Eternal Paradise For This,' Say Suicide Bombers

JAHANNAM, CENTER OF DARKNESS—The hijackers who carried out the Sept. 11 attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon expressed confusion and surprise Monday to find themselves in a "hell" of fire and brimstone, rather than the "paradise" they had been promised in the Koran.

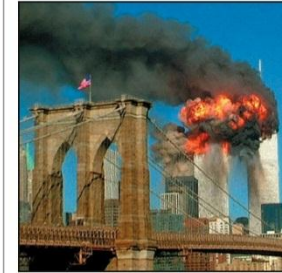
Being fed and housed by 37 virgins in a tree-lined garden, if only I would fly the airplane into one of the Twin Towers," said Mohammed Atta, one of the hijackers of American Airlines Flight 11, Sept. 11.

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Flight: Mohammed Atta (top) and Ahmed al-Haznawi



American Life Turns Into Bad Jerry Bruckheimer Movie



Above: An actual scene from real life.

NEW YORK—In the two weeks since terrorists crashed hijacked planes into the World Trade Center and Pentagon, American life has come to resemble a bad Jerry Bruckheimer-produced action/disaster movie, shellshocked citizens reported Tuesday.

"Terrorist hijackings, buildings blowing up, thousands of people dying—these are

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Not Knowing What Else To Do, Woman Bakes American-Flag Cake

TOPEKA, KS—Feeling helpless in the wake of the horrible Sept. 11 terrorist attacks that killed thousands, Christine Pearson baked a cake and decorated it to look like the American flag Monday.

"I had to do something to force myself away from the TV," said Pearson, 35, carefully laying rows of strawberry slices on the white-frosting-covered cake. "All of those frosting-covered



Above: Pearson Pearson, 35, carefully laying rows of strawberry slices on the white-frosting-covered cake. "All of those frosting-covered

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(adj) ridiculing in the use of
expose/attack vice, irony, etc

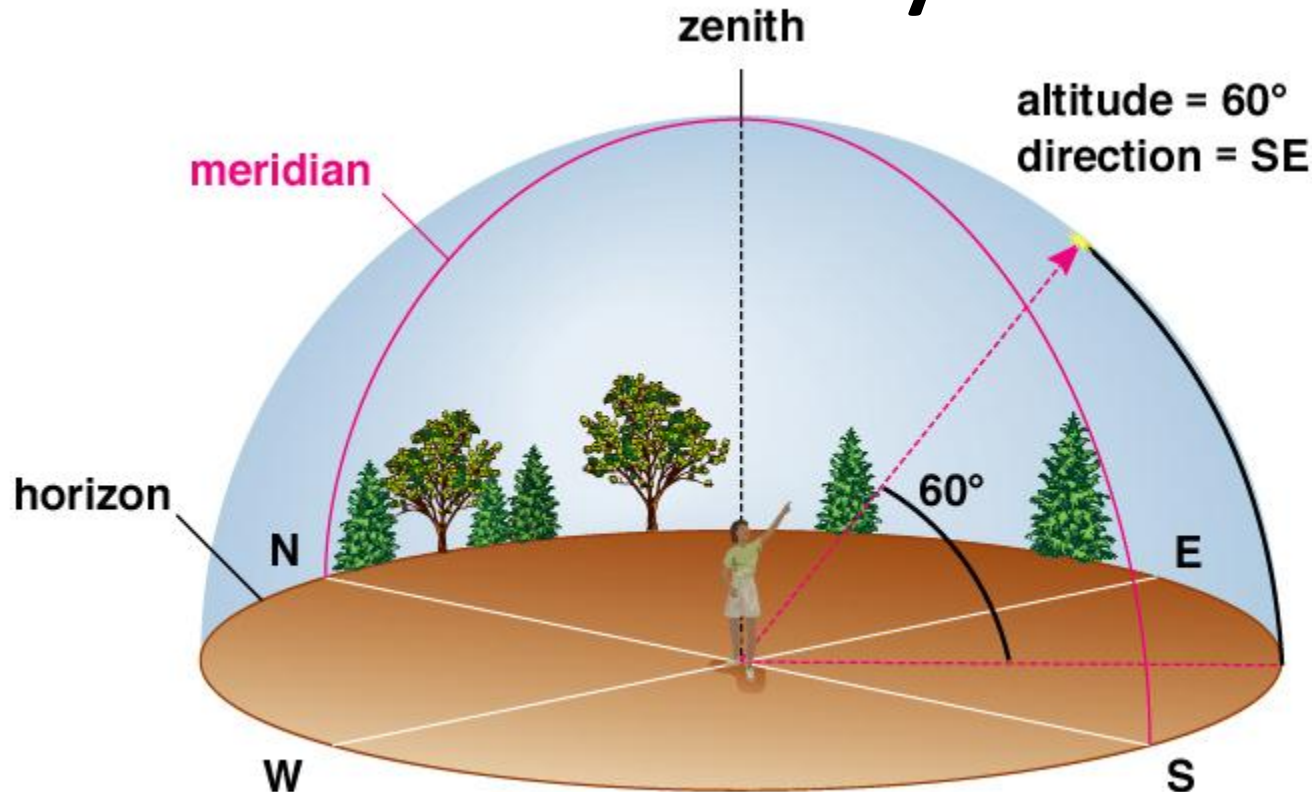
tractable

(adj) easily led or managed



zenith

(*n*) point directly overhead
in the sky



boycott

(v) to refuse to deal with something/someone



conscious

(adj) keenly aware; intentional



endorse

(v) support
somebody or
something



gratuitous



(*adj*) unnecessary

Gratuitous

We tried to explain to Parker that his celebration after winning Candyland was a tad bit gratuitous.

militia

(*n*) soldiers who are also
civilians



mull



(v) period of
careful
deliberation



repeal

(v) to abolish or
undo a law

spinster

(n) unmarried
woman

