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2	gamut	the full or complete range of things
3	vision	a dream
4	realization	to make something real
5	frustration	a feeling arising when hindered in trying to reach a goal
6	security	feeling safe and certain; no apprehension or anxiety
7	discrimination	wrongful treatment of a person (or group) due to a bias or prejudice
8	achievement	accomplishing something rewarding
9	fanatic	someone excessively devoted to or enthusiastic about a cause or activity
10	excess	more of something than is necessary
11	flaunt	to exhibit something (an achievement or prize) a little too proudly
12	<i>prima donna</i>	an overly vain person
13	integrity	free from corruption or vice; honesty
14	humility	a lack of false pride; feeling modest or unassuming
15	intuition	instinctive knowing; a feeling that something might happen; second sight
16	impulsive	actions typified by a lack of planning or preparing
17	procrastination	putting an assignment or task off until a later time; dawdling
18	compliant	easily persuaded or swayed; submissive
19	rational	logical or sensible
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1 aesthetic	relating to beauty; artistic
2 forthright	going straight to the point
3 forceful	full of force; powerful
4 authoritative	official; conclusive
5 influencing	to alter something in an indirect or even sneaky way
6 spontaneous	an action arising from a whim or sudden impulse
7 amiable	friendly; good-natured; sociable; pleasant
8 methodical	systematic, following a definite method
9 analytical	characterized by division of a problem into separate parts for study
10 meticulous	great care shown to details
11 diplomatic	using tact, especially in stressful circumstances; smooth
12 systematic	methodical thoroughness
13 submissive	submitting to others; obedient
14 charismatic	exhibiting a dynamic personality
15 empathy	having compassion or understanding for the pain or struggles of another
16 innovative	on the cutting edge; creative
17 perseverance	steadfastness; doggedness
18 versatile	able to move from one activity or situation to another easily; adaptable
19 synthesize	combine parts or pieces into a whole
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2 esteem	worth; value; admiration
3 survival	the process of staying alive
4 capable	qualified; competent
5 necessity	something that is essential or indispensable
6 satisfaction	a state of being having all your need or want; contentment
7 hierarchy	a series of levels or ranks; power structure
8 legacy	something passed on from one generation to another; something left behind
9 acknowledgement	recognition for a notable deed
10 epitaph	an account meant to summarize the life of a dead person; commemoration
11 lifestyle	typical way in which someone chooses to live
12 sociology	the scientific study of society, its institutions, and the relationships within
13 psychology	the scientific study of the mind and behavior
14 component	a piece, part, or ingredient
15 contemplation	to study in your mind; reflection
16 spiritual	relating to sacred things
17 recuperate	to get back health or strength; recover
18 external	existing on the outside; <i>an external force</i>
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2 commitment	a promise or pledge to do something
3 profile	the amount to which someone demonstrates specific traits as arrived at through inventories or tests
4 widow	a woman whose husband has died and who, generally, has not remarried
5 aristocrat	a member of the aristocracy; a nobleman
6 affordability	the point at which a person can manage to buy something
7 variable	susceptible to changes; likely to vary
8 extensive	having wide or considerable extent
9 liberal	generous; ample; full
10 reallocate	to designate or earmark again
11 poverty	having a shortage of the necessary money or material possessions for comfortable living
12 conscious	deliberate; purposeful
13 traits	a characteristic or quality
14 minimum	the smallest amount possible
15 windfall	an unexpected or unforeseen gain
16 arrogant	overstating your own importance in a haughty way; egotistical
17 persistence	being tenacious; determination
18 dividends	a bonus or payoff
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Chapter Five Vocabulary List for *Career Choices*

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1 category	a classification or grouping
2 characteristics	traits or attributes
3 environment	your surroundings; the setting in which you live or work
4 frequent	to hang out at a place regularly
5 acquaintances	a person you know but who is not a close friend
6 isolation	being detached or far removed from others
7 variety	many different forms or types of something
8 compatible	able to live or work together in harmony
9 flexible	adaptable to new, changing, or developing circumstances
10 potential	hidden talent or possibility
11 incentive	motive; something that provokes action
12 option	a choice; an alternative way of arriving at something
13 composite	a combination of several different parts
14 freelance	a person who works within a profession but with no fixed long-term responsibility to any one company
15 sequential	one after another
16 anxiety	uneasiness; a feeling of impending doom
17 tolerance	open-mindedness; understanding someone else's beliefs even if they are unlike your own
18 entrepreneur	someone who establishes and runs a business or company
19 capital	the money invested to start or maintain a business
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2 accommodate	to adjust or adapt
3 protective	to guard or shield
4 humanitarian	a person working for the welfare of all humans
5 occupation	a person's chosen work; vocation
6 tentative	not fully developed or worked out
7 excursion	a brief trip
8 attributes	inherent traits
9 visualization	the process of producing visual images in your mind
10 typical	regular; normal
11 mesh	to fit or function together
12 consult	to ask someone for their opinion or advice; confer
13 accurate	no mistakes correct
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15 decisive	resolute; determined
16 gregarious	liking to be around other people; friendly
17 contagious	catching; arousing the same emotions in others
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2 automatic	something done without the need for thought; unconscious
3 issue	to put out or deliver, usually officially
4 logical	capable of reason
5 evaluate	to measure the value of something
6 differentiate	to distinguish between at least two things
7 essential	indispensable; a part so important to a thing that to remove to would destroy the thing itself
8 gratification	satisfaction or enjoyment
9 long-term	taking place over a long period of time
10 pro	an argument for a certain course of action
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12 probability	something that is likely to come to pass
13 analyze	to study all the parts of something in order to understand it
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2 flatter	to praise inordinately especially when inspired by self-interest
3 courage	bravery; nerve; guts
4 reputation	recognition of other people of some quality or characteristic
5 motivation	the driving force; incentive
6 technique	how details are treated in a certain trade or art; methodology
7 temporary	lasting for only a short or limited time
8 abstract	theoretical; hypothetical
9 postpone	put off the execution of some task
10 struggle	to move forward with trouble or against obstacles
11 joyous	full of joy
12 temptation	enticement; something tempting
13 wishful	having to do with wishes and not reality
14 privy	being "in on" a secret
15 discipline	self-control
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17 goal	the purpose for which effort is exerted; aim
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1 detour	deviating from the usual or more direct route
2 challenge	a task or problem
3 ironic	when the expected result is contrary to the actual result
4 affliction	great struggling or suffering
5 paraplegic	the state of having the lower half of the body paralyzed
6 debilitate	to weaken
7 orator	a skillful or powerful public speaker
8 serenity	being peaceful
9 solution	the answer to a problem
10 median	being in the middle; as many above as below
11 consideration	careful thought
12 obligation	something that ties a person to a certain course of action, such as a promise or vow; duty
13 valedictorian	the student in a graduating class with the highest rank
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2 pretend	to make believe; feign
3 affirmation	a positive assertion; confirmation
4 effective	to accomplish a task in a competent manner
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2 publication	a published work
3 resume	summary of a person's professional or work experience
4 summary	an abridgment of something
5 original	not a copy or reproduction
6 chronological	listed in the order of time elapsed
7 honesty	dealing only in the truth
8 references	someone who can answer questions regarding your character or ability
9 draft	a preliminary version; make a rough sketch
10 polite	courteous; respectful
11 impression	a striking perception
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3 misfortune	an unhappy situation
4 alienate	to make unfriendly or cause someone to withdraw
5 despotism	a government where the ruler has unlimited power
6 solace	to lend comfort; soothe
7 chasten	to punish; discipline
8 virtue	a good quality
9 duration	the length of time that something lasts
10 perspective	point of view
11 patience	the act of being patient
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