**UNIT 7 Pride and Prejudice**

**Vocabulary**

* **Revolve** verb [ I or T ] UK /rɪˈvɒlv/ US /rɪˈvɑːlv/

 to move or cause something to move around a central point or line:

*The earth revolves around the sun.*

*The gun turret revolved until the gun was aimed at the advancing soldiers.*

* **match** noun (SUITABLE)

 If two people who are having a relationship **are a good match**, they are very suitable for each other:

Theirs is a match made in heaven (= a very good relationship).

* **Depiction** noun [ C or U ] UK /dɪˈpɪk.ʃən/ US /dɪˈpɪk.ʃən/

 the way that something is represented or shown:

*The painter's depictions of the horror of war won her a worldwide reputation.*

*I disapprove of the depiction of violence on television.*

* **Regency** adjective UK /ˈriː.dʒən.si/ US /ˈriː.dʒən.si/

 Regency buildings, furniture, literature, etc. are of a style popular in Great Britain and Ireland from **1811 to 1820.**

* **Regency** noun [ C ] UK /ˈriː.dʒən.si/ US /ˈriː.dʒən.si/

 a period of time when a country is ruled by a regent

* **Status** noun UK /ˈsteɪ.təs/ US /ˈsteɪ.t̬əs/ status noun (OFFICIAL POSITION)

 an accepted or official position, especially in a social group:

*The association works to promote the status of retired people as useful members of the community.*

*There has been an increase in applications for refugee status.*

* **Overbearing** adjective disapproving UK /ˌəʊ.vəˈbeə.rɪŋ/ US /ˌoʊ.vɚˈber.ɪŋ/

 too confident and too determined to tell other people what to do, in a way that is unpleasant:

*Milligan had a pompous, overbearing father*.

* **Intriguing** adjective UK /ɪnˈtriː.ɡɪŋ/ US /ɪnˈtriː.ɡɪŋ/

 very interesting because of being unusual or mysterious:

*an intriguing possibility/question*

*She has a really intriguing personality.*

* **Tribulation** noun [ C or U ] formal UK /ˌtrɪb.jəˈleɪ.ʃən/ US /ˌtrɪb.jəˈleɪ.ʃən/

 a problem or difficulty

* **Manor** noun UK /ˈmæn.ər/ US /ˈmæn.ɚ/ manor noun (LARGE HOUSE)

a large old house in the country with land belonging to it, especially in Europe

* **Fussy** adjective disapproving UK /ˈfʌs.i/ US /ˈfʌs.i/fussy adjective (NOT EASILY SATISFIED)

 not easily satisfied, or having very high standards about particular things:

All my children were fussy eaters.

He's so fussy about the house - everything has to be absolutely perfect.

* **Spouse** noun [ C ] LAW formal or specialized UK /spaʊs/ US /spaʊs/

 a person's husband or wife:

*In 60 percent of the households surveyed both spouses went out to work.*

* **Exclaim** verb [ I ] UK /ɪkˈskleɪm/ US /ɪkˈskleɪm/

 to say or shout something suddenly because of surprise, fear, pleasure, etc.:

 *"You can't leave now!" she exclaimed.*

 *"Nonsense!" he exclaimed in disgust.*

* **Behold** verb [ T ] old use or literary UK /bɪˈhəʊld/ US /bɪˈhoʊld/beheld | beheld

 to see or look at someone or something:

*The new bridge is an incredible sight to behold.*

* **Tolerable** adjective UK /ˈtɒl.ər.ə.bəl/ US /ˈtɑː.lɚ.ə.bəl/

 of a quality that is acceptable, although certainly not good:

*At their best the conditions in these prisons are barely tolerable.*

*For me it's friendships that make life tolerable.*

* **Slight** verb [ T ] UK /slaɪt/ US /slaɪt/

 to insult someone by ignoring them or treating them as if they are not important:

*I felt slighted when my boss thanked everyone but me for their hard work.*

* **Amiable** adjective UK /ˈeɪ.mi.ə.bəl/ US /ˈeɪ.mi.ə.bəl/

 pleasant and friendly:

*He seemed an amiable young man.*

*So amiable was the mood of the meeting that a decision was soon reached.*

* **look up** UK /lʊk/ US /lʊk/

to become better:

*I hope things will start to look up in the new year.*

*Our financial situation is looking up at last.*

* **Resentment** noun [ C or U ] UK /rɪˈzent.mənt/ US /rɪˈzent.mənt/

 a feeling of anger because you have been forced to accept something that you do not like:

*He harbours a deep resentment against his parents for his miserable childhood.*

*This decision has caused resentment among some teachers.*

* **Propensity** noun [ S ] formal UK /prəˈpen.sə.ti/ US /prəˈpen.sə.t̬i/

 the fact that someone is likely to behave in a particular way, especially a bad way:

*[ + to infinitive ] She's inherited from her father a propensity to talk too much.*

*He's well-known for his natural propensity for indiscretion.*

* **Impetuous** adjective UK /ɪmˈpetʃ.u.əs/ US /ɪmˈpetʃ.u.əs/

 likely to do something suddenly, without considering the results of your actions:

*He's so impetuous - why can't he think things over before he rushes into them?*

 said or done suddenly, without considering the likely results:

*The governor may now be regretting her impetuous promise to reduce unemployment by half.*

* **entangled in/with sth/sb**

 involved with something or someone in a way that makes it difficult to escape:

*He went to the shop to buy bread, and got entangled in/with a carnival parade.*

*The mayor and the city council are anxious to avoid getting entangled in the controversy.*

* **Entangle** verb [ T usually passive ] UK /ɪnˈtæŋ.ɡəl/ US /ɪnˈtæŋ.ɡəl/

 to cause something to become caught in something such as a net or ropes:

* **Pianoforte** noun /piӕnəuˈfoːti/

 a piano.

* **well off** adjective UK /ˌwel ˈɒf/ US /ˌwel ˈɑːf/ well off adjective (RICH)

 rich:

*Her family was very well off.*

* **Retain** verb [ T ] UK /rɪˈteɪn/ US /rɪˈteɪn/

 to keep or continue to have something:

*She has lost her battle to retain control of the company.*

*He managed to retain his dignity throughout the performance.*

* **Transcend** verb [ T ] formal UK /trænˈsend/ US /trænˈsend/

 to go further, rise above, or be more important or better than something, especially a limit:

*The best films are those which transcend national or cultural barriers.*

*The underlying message of the film is that love transcends everything else.*

* **Composure** noun [ U ] UK /kəmˈpəʊ.ʒər/ US /kəmˈpoʊ.ʒɚ/

 the feeling of being calm, confident, and in control:

*I didn't want to lose my composure in front of her.*

* **Despicably** adverb UK /dɪˈspɪk.ə.bli/ US /dɪˈspɪk.ə.bli/

 in a very unpleasant or bad way, causing strong feelings of dislike:

*I think you behaved despicably.*

*They have been treated despicably.*

* **Discernment** noun [ U ] formal approving UK /dɪˈsɜːn.mənt/ US /dɪˈsɝːn.mənt/

 the ability to judge people and things well:

*It's clear that you are a person of discernment.*

* **Disdain** noun [ U ] formal UK /dɪsˈdeɪn/ US /dɪsˈdeɪn/

 the feeling of not liking someone or something and thinking that they do not deserve your interest or respect:

*He regards the political process with disdain.*

* **Candour** noun [ U ] UK (US candor) UK /ˈkæn.dər/ US /ˈkæn.dɚ/

 the quality of being honest and telling the truth, especially about a difficult or embarrassing subject:

"*We really don't know what to do about it," she said with surprising candour.*

* **Vanity** noun UK /ˈvæn.ə.ti/ US /ˈvæn.ə.t̬i/ vanity noun (SELFISH)

 the fact that you are too interested in your appearance or achievements:

*He wants the job purely for reasons of vanity and ambition.*

* **Gratify** verb [ T ] UK /ˈɡræt.ɪ.faɪ/ US /ˈɡræt̬.ə.faɪ/

 to please someone, or to satisfy a wish or need:

*We were gratified by the response to our appeal.*

*He was gratified to see how well his students had done.*

* **Mistrust** verb [ T ] UK /ˌmɪsˈtrʌst/ US /ˌmɪsˈtrʌst/

 to have doubts about the honesty or abilities of someone:

*I've always mistrusted politicians.*

* **Folly** noun UK /ˈfɒl.i/ US /ˈfɑː.li/ folly noun (STUPIDITY)

 the fact of being stupid, or a stupid action, idea, etc.:

*She said that the idea was folly.*

*It would be folly for the country to become involved in the war.*

* **Wretchedly** adverb UK /ˈretʃ.ɪd.li/ US /ˈretʃ.ɪd.li/

 extremely, when referring to something unpleasant or of low quality:

*wretchedly inadequate*

* **Benevolent** adjective UK /bəˈnev.əl.ənt/ US /bəˈnev.əl.ənt/

 kind and helpful:

*He was a benevolent old man and wouldn't hurt a fly.*

* **court** verb (TRY TO GET)

 to try to get something, especially attention or support from other people:

*She courts publicity by inviting journalists to extravagant parties.*

* **Conceit** noun UK /kənˈsiːt/ US /kənˈsiːt/ conceit noun (PRIDE)
* the state of being too proud of yourself and your actions:

*The conceit of that man is incredible!*

* **Peer** noun [ C ] UK /pɪər/ US /pɪr/ peer noun [C] (EQUAL)

 a person who is the same age or has the same social position or the same abilities as other people in a group:

*Do you think it's true that teenage girls are less self-confident than their male peers?*

*He wasn't a great scholar, but as a teacher he had few peers (= not as many people had the same ability as him).*