

Vocabulaire 1-10

Groupe 1

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
birth	v.	to give rise to or bring into being · donner naissance à, enfanter	<i>He birthed a creature he could not control.</i>
rear	v.	to bring up and care for · élever	<i>No one had reared the abandoned creature.</i>
hatch	v.	to bring into being; to devise · faire éclore; concevoir	<i>He hatched a plan to defy death.</i>
endow	v.	to provide with a quality or power · doter, pourvoir	<i>He endowed his creation with life.</i>
instil	v.	to gradually establish (an idea or feeling) · inculquer, insuffler	<i>Cruelty instilled only hatred.</i>
redress	v.	to set right (a wrong) · réparer, redresser	<i>Nothing could redress the harm done.</i>
remedy	v.	to put right · remédier à	<i>He could not remedy his terrible mistake.</i>
shirk	v.	to avoid (a duty) · se dérober à, esquiver	<i>He shirked all responsibility for his creature.</i>
duck	v.	to avoid or evade · esquiver, se dérober	<i>He tried to duck the consequences.</i>
accountable	adj.	required to answer for one's actions · responsable, comptable	<i>A creator is accountable for his creation.</i>
culpable	adj.	deserving blame · coupable, fautif	<i>He alone was culpable for the tragedy.</i>
onus	n.	a duty or responsibility · charge, responsabilité	<i>The onus lay entirely on the maker.</i>
answer for	phrasal	to be responsible or accountable for · répondre de	<i>He would answer for what he had made.</i>
account for	phrasal	to explain or be responsible for · rendre compte de	<i>He could not account for the missing body.</i>
cobble together	phrasal	to assemble roughly from parts · bricoler, assembler tant bien que mal	<i>The being was cobbled together from corpses.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to play God	jouer à Dieu, se prendre pour Dieu
to take responsibility	assumer ses responsabilités
to face the consequences	assumer les conséquences

Mots à reconnaître

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
create	<i>v.</i>	to bring into existence · créer	<i>He set out to create life itself.</i>
make	<i>v.</i>	to bring into being · faire, fabriquer	<i>What he made could not be unmade.</i>
build	<i>v.</i>	to construct or assemble · construire, bâtir	<i>He built a body from many parts.</i>
owe	<i>v.</i>	to be under obligation to give · devoir	<i>A maker owes care to what he makes.</i>
duty	<i>n.</i>	a moral or legal obligation · devoir, obligation	<i>He neglected his clearest duty.</i>
blame	<i>n.</i>	responsibility for a fault · faute, responsabilité	<i>The blame was his alone.</i>
guilt	<i>n.</i>	the fact of having done wrong · culpabilité	<i>Guilt followed him everywhere.</i>
fault	<i>n.</i>	responsibility for a mistake · faute, tort	<i>It was no one's fault but his.</i>
regret	<i>n.</i>	sorrow over something done · regret, remords	<i>His regret came far too late.</i>
raise	<i>v.</i>	to bring up (a child) · élever	<i>The creature was never raised by anyone.</i>
parent	<i>n.</i>	a mother or father · parent	<i>He was a parent who fled his child.</i>
creature	<i>n.</i>	a living being · créature	<i>The creature longed for a companion.</i>
monster	<i>n.</i>	a frightening, unnatural being · monstre	<i>They called the lonely being a monster.</i>
abandon	<i>v.</i>	to leave and give up on · abandonner	<i>He abandoned his creation at birth.</i>
neglect	<i>v.</i>	to fail to care for · négliger, délaissé	<i>He neglected the being he had made.</i>

Groupe 2

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
sire	<i>v.</i>	to bring into existence; to father · engendrer, être le père de	<i>He sired a being against all nature.</i>
gestate	<i>v.</i>	to develop gradually before emerging · mûrir, être en gestation	<i>The idea gestated for years.</i>
imbue	<i>v.</i>	to fill or inspire with a quality · imprégner, insuffler	<i>He imbued the body with a spark of life.</i>
saddle	<i>v.</i>	to burden with a duty or problem · accabler, charger (de)	<i>He saddled the world with a monster.</i>
foist	<i>v.</i>	to impose (something unwanted) on someone · refiler, imposer	<i>He foisted the blame on others.</i>
entrust	<i>v.</i>	to give responsibility for to someone · confier	<i>She was entrusted with the secret.</i>
reckon with	<i>phrasal</i>	to take into account; to confront · compter avec, affronter	<i>He failed to reckon with the cost.</i>
blameworthy	<i>adj.</i>	deserving of blame · blâmable, répréhensible	<i>His neglect was deeply blameworthy.</i>
duty-bound	<i>adj.</i>	morally obliged · tenu (de), dans l'obligation	<i>She felt duty-bound to warn him.</i>
stewardship	<i>n.</i>	responsible management of something · gestion, intendance	<i>Creation demands careful stewardship.</i>
remit	<i>n.</i>	the scope of one's responsibility · attributions, compétence	<i>That fell outside his remit.</i>
liability	<i>n.</i>	legal responsibility; a drawback · responsabilité; handicap	<i>He bore full liability for the harm.</i>
accountability	<i>n.</i>	the obligation to answer for actions · responsabilité, reddition de comptes	<i>There was no accountability for the disaster.</i>
custody	<i>n.</i>	responsibility for care or safekeeping · garde, tutelle	<i>The creature was in no one's custody.</i>
guardianship	<i>n.</i>	the role of protecting and caring · tutelle, garde	<i>He refused all guardianship of his creation.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to carry the can	porter le chapeau
to be a double-edged sword	une arme à double tranchant
to come back to haunt someone	revenir hanter qqn, se retourner contre qqn

Mots à reconnaître

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beget	<i>v.</i>	to bring into existence; to father · engendrer	<i>Pride begot a terrible creation.</i>
shoulder	<i>v.</i>	to take on (a burden) · endosser, assumer	<i>He refused to shoulder the blame.</i>
liable	<i>adj.</i>	legally responsible · responsable, passible	<i>He was liable for all the damage.</i>
answerable	<i>adj.</i>	responsible and required to explain · responsable, comptable	<i>He was answerable to no one.</i>
beholden	<i>adj.</i>	owing thanks or duty · redevable, obligé	<i>The creature owed him nothing, yet felt beholden.</i>
disown	<i>v.</i>	to refuse to acknowledge as one's own · renier, désavouer	<i>He disowned the thing he had made.</i>
atone	<i>v.</i>	to make amends for wrongdoing · expier, réparer	<i>He could never atone for it.</i>
forsake	<i>v.</i>	to abandon · abandonner, délaisser	<i>He forsook his creation utterly.</i>
conscience	<i>n.</i>	a sense of right and wrong · conscience	<i>His conscience gave him no peace.</i>
obligation	<i>n.</i>	a duty or commitment · obligation, devoir	<i>He felt no obligation to his creature.</i>
burden	<i>n.</i>	a heavy duty or responsibility · fardeau, charge	<i>Guilt became an unbearable burden.</i>
reproach	<i>n.</i>	an expression of disapproval · reproche, blâme	<i>He thought himself beyond reproach.</i>
reckoning	<i>n.</i>	a settling of accounts; consequences · heure des comptes	<i>A day of reckoning awaited him.</i>
wrongdoing	<i>n.</i>	illegal or immoral behaviour · méfait, faute	<i>He denied any wrongdoing.</i>
culpability	<i>n.</i>	the state of deserving blame · culpabilité	<i>His culpability was beyond doubt.</i>

Groupe 3

Mots à apprendre

Mot	Classe	Sens	Exemple en contexte
midwife	<i>v.</i>	to help bring (something) into being · accoucher de, faire naître	<i>Ambition midwifed a monstrous thing.</i>
author	<i>v.</i>	to be the creator or originator of · être l'auteur de, créer	<i>He authored his own destruction.</i>
arrogate	<i>v.</i>	to claim or seize without right · s'arroger, s'attribuer	<i>He arrogated to himself the power of God.</i>
abnegate	<i>v.</i>	to renounce or reject (a duty, right) · renoncer à, abdiquer	<i>He abnegated all responsibility.</i>
divest	<i>v.</i>	to rid oneself of (divest of) · se défaire de, se dessaisir	<i>He divested himself of any guilt.</i>
discharge	<i>v.</i>	to carry out or fulfil (a duty) · s'acquitter de	<i>He failed to discharge his duty of care.</i>
castigate	<i>v.</i>	to rebuke or criticise severely · fustiger, réprimander	<i>History castigates his recklessness.</i>
upbraid	<i>v.</i>	to scold or reproach · réprimander, faire des reproches à	<i>The creature upbraided its maker.</i>
reprove	<i>v.</i>	to express disapproval of · réproucher, blâmer	<i>She gently reproved his pride.</i>
chasten	<i>v.</i>	to subdue or correct, esp. by suffering · assagir, mater	<i>Tragedy finally chastened him.</i>
progenitor	<i>n.</i>	an originator or ancestor · géniteur, précurseur	<i>He was the progenitor of a new species.</i>
brainchild	<i>n.</i>	an original idea or invention of someone · invention, idée (de qqn)	<i>The creature was his brainchild.</i>
handiwork	<i>n.</i>	something made by one's own effort · œuvre, ouvrage	<i>He stared in horror at his handiwork.</i>
progeny	<i>n.</i>	offspring; descendants · progéniture, descendance	<i>He came to loathe his own progeny.</i>
scion	<i>n.</i>	a descendant of a notable line · rejeton, descendant	<i>The creature was the scion of science alone.</i>

Expressions idiomatiques

Expression idiomatique	Sens
to make a rod for one's own back	se préparer des ennuis soi-même
the sins of the father	les fautes des pères (qui retombent)
chickens come home to roost	les actes se retournent contre leur auteur

Mots à reconnaître

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incumbent	<i>adj.</i>	obligatory as a duty (incumbent on) · qui incombe (à)	<i>It was incumbent on him to act.</i>
penance	<i>n.</i>	self-punishment to show regret · pénitence	<i>He did penance for the rest of his life.</i>
retribution	<i>n.</i>	deserved punishment · châtimement, représailles	<i>Retribution finally caught up with him.</i>
comeuppance	<i>n.</i>	a deserved misfortune · juste punishment	<i>The proud creator got his comeuppance.</i>
scapegoat	<i>n.</i>	one blamed for the faults of others · bouc émissaire	<i>The creature became the scapegoat.</i>
recompense	<i>n.</i>	compensation for harm done · dédommagement, réparation	<i>No recompense could undo the loss.</i>
restitution	<i>n.</i>	the restoring of what was lost · restitution, réparation	<i>He could make no restitution.</i>
amends	<i>n.</i>	reparation for a wrong (make amends) · réparation, amende honorable	<i>He longed to make amends.</i>
expiation	<i>n.</i>	the act of making up for guilt · expiation	<i>His death was a kind of expiation.</i>
atonement	<i>n.</i>	reparation for a wrong · expiation, rachat	<i>He sought atonement in vain.</i>
lineage	<i>n.</i>	ancestry; line of descent · lignée, ascendance	<i>The creature had no lineage at all.</i>
descendant	<i>n.</i>	a being descended from another · descendant	<i>He feared a race of such descendants.</i>
creator	<i>n.</i>	one who brings something into being · créateur	<i>The creature confronted its creator.</i>
abomination	<i>n.</i>	a thing that causes disgust · abomination, horreur	<i>They saw the being as an abomination.</i>
hubris	<i>n.</i>	excessive pride that invites downfall · démesure, orgueil	<i>His hubris doomed them both.</i>