Lesson B-10

Key Word List

auspicious showing signs that promise success

introspection examination of one's own thoughts and feelings.

retrospect a survey of past times or events

specimen a single thing that is taken as an example of a whole category.

specter 1. a ghost. 2. a haunting fear of future trouble.

spectrum 1. the distribution of characteristics of a physical system, especially bands of colors seen as a rainbow

or bands of differing sound waves. 2. a wide range of related qualities or ideas.

speculate 1. to form opinions without definite knowledge or evidence. 2. to buy or sell something to make a

profit but with risk of loss.

surveillance supervision or close observation, especially of a suspected person.

vigil a period of staying awake to keep watch or to pray.

vigilant watchful; on the lookout for danger.

Challenge Word List

prospectus a printed document that advertises activities in order to attract or inform clients, members, buyers, or

investors

reveille a signal sounded especially on a bugle or drum to wake personnel in the armed forces.