

Insight Upper-Intermediate – Unit 1 Vocabulary

Fill in the gaps with the correct word from the box. Use each word once.

overcome • belief • role models • humble • commitment • glance • disappointment • tolerance
• cause • courage • principle • admiration • optimism • benefit • compassion • dedicated •
obstacle • determined • persistence • attentive • motivation

1. She looked at her mentor with great _____, admiring everything he had achieved.
2. A good doctor listens carefully and stays _____ to every detail the patient mentions.
3. His _____ in himself never wavered, even when others doubted him.
4. One great _____ of learning a new language is being able to travel more confidently.
5. Nobody knew the exact _____ of the fire, but investigators suspected an electrical fault.
6. Getting married is a serious _____ that both partners need to take seriously.
7. The volunteers treated every homeless person they met with kindness and _____.
8. It takes real _____ to admit when you have made a mistake.
9. She is completely _____ to her studies and rarely goes out during exam season.
10. He was _____ to pass the driving test, even after failing it twice.
11. Losing the final was a huge _____ for the whole team.
12. She gave a quick _____ at the clock before rushing to catch her train.
13. Despite winning three awards, the actress remained remarkably _____ about her success.
14. Seeing his progress on the scale gave him the _____ to keep exercising.
15. Not speaking the local language was the biggest _____ she faced when she moved abroad.
16. Even during the crisis, she managed to keep her _____ and hope for the future.
17. With the right support, most people can _____ their fear of public speaking.
18. Her _____ finally paid off when she landed her dream job after ten interviews.
19. Treating everyone fairly is one basic _____ he refuses to compromise on.
20. Many teenagers see famous athletes as _____ and try to copy their habits.
21. Growing up in a multicultural neighbourhood taught me the value of _____ towards different beliefs and customs.