

Adventures in Reading **Unit 13**

advocate: a person who publically supports an idea or a cause

Kate is an advocate for diabetes research because her friend has the disease.

attribute: a characteristic of a person, thing, or group

Charlie's best attribute is his sense of humor; he makes people laugh.

burden: something difficult or worrying that you have to deal with

Pet ownership can be a burden if you are away from home often.

debate: a discussion about a subject that involves opposite viewpoints

The city council will host a debate to determine the need for a new shopping mall.

desire: a strong feeling of wanting something

Hannah's desire for chocolate is so strong; she cannot resist a piece of cake.

dilemma: a situation in which you have to make a difficult choice

Choosing between a friend's party and a family vacation is a dilemma for Timothy.

influence: the effect that someone or something has on another

Today's cold weather will have an influence on my decision to wear a sweater.

opinion: a person's ideas or beliefs about a particular subject

In Mia's opinion, girls should be allowed to participate in football.

option: something you can choose to do or have

You have the option of paying for your purchase with either a credit card or cash.

performance: how well a person or thing functions

The singer's cold affected his performance of the national anthem.

priority: something given special attention because of its importance

The restaurant's priority is to provide good service to its customers.

resource: something that people can use to do other things

Emily had difficulty finding an accurate resource for her history paper.