

Advanced Placement Vocabulary – Military Edition
Week 21 (Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2007)

1. **Armistice** – *N.* A temporary cessation of fighting by mutual consent; a truce
2. **Belay** – *V.* To fasten a boat to a pole, pin, or cleat by rope
3. **Bivouac** – *N.* Temporary living quarters specially built by the army for soldiers
4. **Brassard** – *N.* A band, badge, or armor worn around the upper arm
5. **Breach** – *N.* A failure to perform a promised act, often of the law
also, to make an opening or gap in (*Or an awesome film*)
6. **Brigade** – *N.* A unit of military soldiers, smaller than a division
7. **Capitulate** – *V.* To surrender under agreed conditions
8. **Citadel** – *N.* A stronghold into which people could go for shelter during a battle
9. **Clandestine** – *Adj.* Conducted with or marked by hidden aims or methods
10. **Coup** – *N.* A brilliantly executed stratagem; a triumph
11. **Covert** – *Adj.* Secret or hidden
12. **Debark** – *V.* To go ashore or to unload from a ship or plane
13. **Decrypt** – *V.* To decipher or decode
14. **Defect** – *N.* An imperfection
also, to desert in order to join the opposing cause, as a traitor
15. **Deploy** – *V.* To place troops or weapons in battle formation
16. **Espionage** – *N.* The systematic use of spies to get military or political secrets
17. **Foray** – *N.* A sudden short attack in enemy territory
18. **Garrison** – *N.* A fortified military post where troops are stationed
19. **Interdiction** – *N.* A court order prohibiting a party from doing a certain activity
20. **Mercenary** – *N.* A professional soldier hired for service in a foreign army
21. **Perfidy** – *N.* Betrayal of a trust
22. **Preemptive** – *Adj.* Having the power to prevent an anticipated occurrence
23. **Reconnaissance** – *N.* An exploration of an area, especially one made to gather information
24. **Sabotage** – *V.* To destroy property or hinder normal operations
25. **Sentry** – *N.* A person employed to watch for something to happen
26. **Shrapnel** – *N.* Fragments from an exploded artillery shell, mine, or bomb
27. **Sortie** – *N.* A military action in which troops burst forth from their positions
28. **Triage** – *N.* Sorting and raking aid on the basis of need, such as food or medicine
29. **Vanguard** – *N.* The leading units moving at the head of an army
30. **Waylay** – *V.* To wait in hiding and attack by ambush