Ender’s Game Vocabulary List #2

1. **Insubordinate** (adjective)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Disobedient
     2. Does not follow orders; defies authority
   * *Sentence*: “You’re not only short and incompetent, you’re **insubordinate** too” (75)
2. **Haphazardly** (adverb)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Nor organized; casually
     2. In a random matter
   * *Sentence*: “But the enemy was coming **haphazardly**, uncoordinatedly they had never worked together before” (81)
3. **Facade** (noun)
   * *Definition*:
     1. A fake “front” that covers up something unpleasant
   * *Sentence*: “This was troubling. The **façade** of peace and cooperation had been undisturbed almost since the bugger wars began” (90)
4. **Nonchalance** (noun)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Remaining calm and seeming not to care
     2. A lack of concern or worry
   * *Sentence*: “She pretended **nonchalance**, but she listened eagerly” (92)
5. **Weary** (adjective)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Tired or exhausted (mentally or physically)
   * *Sentence*: “Graff sat at his desk, looking fatter and **wearier** than the last time Ender had seen him.” (111)
6. **Obscure** (adjective)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Not well known
     2. Hard to see
   * *Sentence*: “Did they know they were giving him **obscure** but excellent boys?” (124)
7. **Straggle** (Verb)
   * *Definition*:
     1. To move in a rambling or weird way
     2. To stay behind or wander from the main group
   * *Sentence*: “Anderson dismissed Dragon Army last, after Rabbit Army had **straggled** through the door that Ender’s boys had come through” (127)
8. **Banter** (verb)
   * *Definition*:
     1. To talk in a good-humored, fun, but teasing way
     2. To joke back and forth
   * *Sentence*: “But he never laughed when they tried to **banter** with him, and they soon stopped trying.” (129)
9. **Loathsome** (adjective)
   * *Definition*:
     1. Causing hatred or disgust
     2. Disgusting or repulsive
   * *Sentence*: “Since they were the most terrible enemy, ugly and murderous, and **loathsome**” (132)
10. **Ineptitude** (noun)
    * *Definition*:
      1. Lack of skill
      2. Clumsiness or inability to succeed
    * *Sentence*: “This had not been a fair fight, even though they had won – the teacher had meant them to lose and it was only Bonzo’s **ineptitude** that had saved them” (137)