**Unit 5 Battles**

**StBook p. 49**

1. ally – *a country that has agreed to help another country in war*
2. coalition – *a group formed by people of different groups agreeing to work together for a particular purpose*
3. insurgent – *a person fighting against the government or armed forces of their own country*
4. fledg(e)ling – *a person or organization that is immature, inexperienced, or underdeveloped*
5. withdraw – *to move or order sb to move away from a place*
6. breakthrough – *an important discovery or development*
7. stalemate – *a situation in an argument in which neither side can win or make any progress*
8. resistance *– trying to stop sth from happening*
9. casualty – *a person who is killed or injured in a war or an accident*
10. to inflict – *to force sb to have sth unpleasant or that they do not want*
11. reinforcement – *extra people who are sent to make an army stronger*
12. grind to a halt – *to stop slowly*
13. a last resort – *when everything else has failed*
14. to open up old wounds – *to remind you of sth unpleasant from the past*
15. burn your bridges – *to do sth which makes it impossible to return to the previous situation*
16. fight a losing battle – *to try to do sth that you will probably never manage to do*
17. set your sights on sth – *to decide that you want sth and try very hard to get it*
18. bury the hatchet – *to stop being unfriendly and become friends again*
19. jump the gun – *to do sth too soon*
20. drop a bombshell – *to give news which is unexpected and unpleasant*
21. stick to your guns – *to refuse to change your mind about sth*

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1. alienation – *making people feel that they cannot share your opinion any more*
2. draining – *making sb weaker by slowly using all the strength available*
3. curfew – *a time when children must arrive home in the evening*
4. animated – *interesting and full of energy*
5. genuine – *real, true*

**WBook p.40**

1. to vie (for) – *to compete eagerly with someone in order to do or achieve sth*
2. to bits – *very much*
3. rivalry – *competition between two people (groups)*

**StBook p.51**

1. arson – *the crime of setting fire to a building on a purpose*
2. to break out – *to start suddenly*
3. suspend – *to stop or delay*
4. indispensable – *very important, so that it is not possible to be without it*
5. to amend – *to change slightly in order to make it better*

**WBook p. 41**

1. outspoken – *saying exactly what you think or feel although you may shock or upset other people*