

List #1 Definitions Due: _____ Quiz on: _____

Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
bigot	noun	narrow-minded, prejudiced person
counterfeit	adjective	fake; false
hamper	verb	to hold back or obstruct
noxious	adjective	harmful; poisonous; lethal
placid	adjective	calm; peaceful
abrasive	adjective	rough; coarse; harsh; irritating
bilk	verb	to cheat or defraud; to rip off
covert	adjective	hidden; undercover
engender	verb	to cause
nuance	noun	something subtle; a fine shade of meaning

List #2 Definitions Due: _____ Quiz on: _____

Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
abasement	noun	humiliation; degradation
billowing	adjective	fluttering; waving
cower	verb	to shrink away in fear
labyrinth	noun	a maze
nullify	verb	to counter; to make meaningless
replete	adjective	full
tangible	adjective	able to be touched or grasped
blasphemy	noun	speech against religious beliefs
credible	adjective	believable
enigma	noun	a puzzle or mystery

List #3

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
harbinger	noun	an indicator; a bringer of a warning
nuzzle	verb	to cuddle or snuggle
reprehensible	adjective	very shameful or bad
tardy	adjective	slow; late; delayed; overdue
blatant	adjective	obvious
ensconce	verb	to settle in
hasten	verb	to hurry; to rush
laceration	noun	a cut
plausible	adjective	possible; reasonable; believable
reprieve	noun	a delayed or suspended punishment

List #4

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
tawdry	adjective	of little value; gaudy
abstain	verb	to go without; to withdraw
incredulous	adjective	not believing
enshroud	verb	to cover
haughtiness	adjective	arrogance; pride
plethora	noun	an excess; a lot of something
tedious	adjective	boring; monotonous
blithe	adjective	free-spirited; carefree
enunciate	verb	to pronounce clearly
headstrong	adjective	stubborn; willful

List #5 Definitions Due: _____ Quiz on: _____

Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
lackluster	adjective	dull; bland
objective	adjective	unbiased; not influenced by personal feelings
pliable	adjective	flexible; not stubborn
rescind	verb	to retract; to take back
temper	verb	to moderate or soften
cringe	verb	to recoil; to flinch; to shy away
laconic	adjective	using few words; brief; to the point
oblique	adjective	indirect; slanting
resignation	noun	acceptance of fate
tenacious	adjective	stubborn; resolute; holding firmly to a purpose

List #6 Definitions Due: _____ Quiz on: _____

Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
accolade	noun	a tribute; honor; praise
bolster	verb	to support; to prop up
cryptic	adjective	puzzling; mysterious; enigmatic
lament	verb	to regret; to feel sorrow for something
obliterate	verb	to destroy; to demolish; to eradicate
tentative	adjective	not certain; temporary
acquiesce	verb	to agree; to give in to
curtail	verb	to cut short
heed	verb	to listen to
oblivious	adjective	totally unaware

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
podium	noun	a raised platform
resonate	verb	to echo; to fill with sound
tenuous	adjective	flimsy; not solid
acrid	adjective	sharp; pungent smells or tastes
boorish	adjective	ill-mannered
cynical	adjective	believing that people act only out of selfish motives
lance	noun	a spear; a spike; a javelin
obscure	adjective	difficult to understand; unclear; hidden
poignant	adjective	deeply moving; strongly affecting emotions
respite	noun	a break; an intermission

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
terse	adjective	concise; to the point
acrophobia	noun	a fear of heights
bourgeois	noun	middle class
hiatus	noun	an interruption; a pause
languid	adjective	tired; slow
poised	adjective	calm; collected; self-possessed
resplendent	adjective	shining; glowing
therapeutic	adjective	good for one's health
acuity	noun	sharpness (mental or visual)
debunk	verb	to expose false claims or myths

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
epitomize	verb	to be a great example
obsequious	adjective	willing to follow without thinking for oneself; submissive
thwart	verb	to prevent; to frustrate
adamant	adjective	forceful; inflexible
brawny	adjective	muscular
decathlon	noun	an athletic competition with ten events
larceny	noun	theft; robbery; stealing
obsession	noun	a dominating concern, idea or desire
timorous	adjective	cowardly; fearful
adroit	adjective	skillful

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
brevity	noun	shortness of duration
decorum	noun	correct behavior
err	verb	to make a mistake
hinder	verb	to obstruct; to get in the way of; to hamper
obsolete	adjective	no longer in use; outdated
reticent	adjective	restrained; holding something back; uncommunicative
tirade	noun	a stream of verbal abuse
adulation	noun	strong admiration; worship
bristle	verb	to show irritation
erratic	adjective	wandering; irregular

List #11

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
laud	verb	to praise
portend	verb	to predict
retract	verb	to withdraw; to cancel
adversity	noun	hardship
broach	verb	to approach; to start a discussion
deference	noun	respect
esoteric	adjective	difficult to understand; obscure
lavish	adjective	wasteful; grand
revere	verb	to worship; to admire
advocate	verb	to support

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brusque	adjective	blunt; abrupt
espouse	verb	to promote; to take up; to support
hone	verb	to sharpen; to increase
lax	adjective	careless; not strict
poseur	noun	someone who puts on an act; an imposter
riddled	adjective	full of
torpid	adjective	lazy; dull; inactive
aesthetic	adjective	concerning art or beauty
defunct	adjective	no longer in existence; obsolete
etymology	noun	the study of word origins

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
odious	adjective	hateful
posterity	noun	future generations
affable	adjective	friendly; easy going; social
degrade	verb	to lower in dignity, class, rank
hypochondriac	noun	a person obsesd with health; having imaginary illness
legion	noun	a large number
posthumous	adjective	after death
rigorous	adjective	thorough
totter	verb	to walk unsteadily
alacrity	noun	eagerness; enthusiasm; quickness

List #14

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
euphemism	noun	a polite way of saying something
hypocrite	adjective	one who does something they say not to do
lethargic	adjective	lacking energy; tired
ogle	verb	to stare at; to observe obiously
postulate	verb	to guess; to speculate; to hypothesize
robust	adjective	strong; healthy; tough
tractable	adjective	obedient; dutiful; polite
deliberate	verb	to think over deeply
levity	noun	joking about serious matters
olfactory	adjective	concerning the sense of smell

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
potable	adjective	suitable for drinking
rotund	adjective	round
tranquil	adjective	peaceful
evacuate	verb	to vacate; to empty; to abandon
idiosyncrasy	noun	a personal peculiarity; a personality trait
ominous	adjective	threatening
potent	adjective	powerful; compelling; strong
ruminare	verb	to think over something; ponder
transcribe	verb	to copy
allay	verb	to lessen

List #16

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
exacerbate	verb	to make worse
ignominious	adjective	shameful
omnipotent	adjective	all-powerful
pragmatic	adjective	practical
ruse	noun	a trick; a strategem
alleviate	verb	to make less severe
denounce	verb	to condemn; to speak out against
exasperated	adjective	frustrated; annoyed
lithe	adjective	flexible; supple
omniscient	adjective	all-knowing

List #17

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
saccharine	adjective	falsely sweet
transient	adjective	short-lived
aloof	adjective	distant; detached; cold
cajole	verb	to coax
deplete	verb	to use up; to lessen
illuminate	verb	to light up or make clear
livid	adjective	very angry
onerous	adjective	burdensome; hard to undertake; difficult
traverse	verb	to move across
deplore	verb	to regret

List #18

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Word	Part of speech	Definition/synonym
illusory	adjective	deceptive; false; misleading
onus	noun	burden
precarious	adjective	unstable; risky
sagacious	adjective	wise
trepidation	noun	fear
amass	verb	to accumulate
immoderate	adjective	excessive; extreme
lofty	adjective	snooty; arrogant; haughty
opaque	adjective	does not let light through
trinket	noun	something of little value; a knick-knack

List #19

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ambiguity	noun	uncertainty; vagueness
candid	adjective	frank; honest
immutable	adjective	unchanging; permanent
longevity	noun	long life
opulent	adjective	wealthy; rich; magnificent
trite	adjective	unoriginal; dull
deride	verb	to ridicule; to make fun of; to mock
exemplary	adjective	oustandingly good; setting a fine example
impartial	adjective	unbiased; neutral
loquacious	adjective	talkative

List #20

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sallow	adjective	yellowish
trivial	adjective	unimportant
cantankerous	adjective	bad tempered; quarrelsome
lucid	adjective	clear
ornate	adjective	highly decorated
precipice	noun	a steep slope
lummoX	noun	a clumsy person
plagiarism	noun	taking credit for someone else's writing or ideas
tangent	noun	off of the main subject
ambulatory	adjective	able to walk around