

Vocabulary #5a
English 10 Honors

Denotation: dictionary definition, the literal meaning

Connotation: an idea or meaning that a word invokes in addition to its literal meaning

1. adulation - (n.) flattery; admiration
2. adversary - (n.) opponent
3. bard - (n.) poet
4. benediction - (n.) a blessing
5. creed - (n.) a system of religious or ethical beliefs
6. decapitate - (v.) to behead
7. deleterious - (adj.) harmful
8. exalt - (v.) to raise in rank or dignity; praise
9. fallible - (adj.) liable to err (error)
10. illusive - (adj.) deceiving
11. impious - (adj.) disrespectful; insolent
12. lax - (adj.) careless; laid back
13. malicious - (adj.) dictated by hatred or spite
14. myriad - (n.) (use "of") a vast number; (adj.) (drop "of")
15. penchant - (n.) a strong inclination; liking
16. pert - (adj.) impertinent; forward; bold
17. pragmatist - (n.) a practical person
18. rectify - (v.) to correct
19. remorse - (n.) guilt; self-reproach
20. sate - (v.) to satisfy; to cloy
21. sublime - (adj.) exalted; noble; uplifting
22. tempo - (n.) speed of music
23. unkempt - (adj.) disheveled; uncaring of appearance; untidy
24. wry - (adj.) humor with a grim, dark twist
25. servile - (adj.) slavish; overly submissive

