

Vocabulary #2b

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. adventitious - (adj.) accidental; casual
2. agape - (adj.) openmouthed
3. bedizen - (v.) dress with vulgar finery
4. bilious - (adj.) suffering from indigestion
5. condescend - (v.) bestow courtesies with a superior air
6. expedient - (adj.) suitable; practical; politic
7. flagrant - (adj.) conspicuously wicked
8. immaculate - (adj.) pure; spotless
9. incapacitate - (v.) to disable
10. obsequious - (adj.) slavishly attentive; servile
11. pellucid - (adj.) transparent; easy to understand
12. progenitor - (n.) ancestor
13. propensity - (n.) a natural inclination
14. sacrosanct - (adj.) most sacred; inviolable
15. sedulous - (adj.) diligent
16. salubrious - (adj.) healthful
17. sententious - (adj.) terse, concise; abrupt and pithy
18. traduce - (v.) to expose slander
19. tenacious - (adj.) holding fast

- 20 truculent - (adj.) aggressive; savage
- 21. unfeigned - (adj.) genuine, real
- 22. upbraid - (v.) to scold, chastise
- 23. ungainly - (adj.) awkward
- 24. vacuous - (adj.) empty of significance or point; inane
- 25. vociferous - (adj.) clamorous; noisy