

Vocabulary #6a

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. anachronism - (n.) an error involving time in a story
2. aquiline - (adj.) curved, hooked
3. augury - (n.) an omen or prophecy
4. berate - (v.) to scold strongly, criticize
5. capacious - (adj.) spacious, sizeable
6. chasten - (v.) to discipline or punish in order to correct behavior
7. decadence - (n.) decay, depravity, corruption
8. discrete - (adj.) separate and distinct; unconnected (not "discreet": this is a different word)
9. effeminate - (adj.) having womanly or female traits
10. filial - (adj.) pertaining to a son or daughter; the relationship between a child and parent
11. gambol - (v.) a playful skipping or frolicking about
12. glutinous - (adj.) resembling glue in texture; sticky (not "gluttonous": this is a different word)
13. iconoclastic - (adj.) attacking cherished traditions or beliefs
14. import - (n.) importance; significance
15. inveigle - (v.) to win over by coaxing, flatter or artful talk
16. largess - (n.) a generous gift or offer
17. lurid - (adj.) causing shock or horror; gruesome; marked by sensationalism
18. misnomer - (n.) a wrong name or label; incorrect designation
19. ordain - (v.) to command, arrange or consecrate
20. paraphernalia - (n.) equipment; odds and ends

21. pedestrian - (adj.) ordinary, unimaginative
22. prate - (v.) to speak foolishly; to boast idly
23. querulous - (adj.) fretful; whining
24. redress - (n.) a remedy; a compensation
25. rife - (adj.) abundant; current (often used with "with")