Vocabulary 18-30

Second Semester

Vocabulary 18

- 1. acquiesce (verb) to give in, to comply
- 2. apprehend (verb) to seize, arrest, take into custody; to understand; become aware of
- 3. ardent (adj) expressing strong feelings, impassioned, zealous
- 4. boisterous (adj) rowdy, rough, and stormy
- 5. chagrin (noun) vexation (a word from week 13) through humiliation, hurt pride, or disappointment
- 6. decorum (noun) appropriate conduct, correct and proper behavior
- 7. destitution (noun) state of being extremely poor
- 8. disdain (noun) intense dislike, to treat with scorn or contempt, to reject as unworthy
- 9. effusion (noun) a pouring forth (usually overdone in writing or speech)
- 10. esteem (noun) approval and respect often blended with fondness

Vocabulary 19

- 1. Amiable adj friendly and civil
- 2. capricious- adj changing suddenly; fickle
- 3. conjecture n; a guess; an inference or conclusion drawn or deduced by surmise or guesswork
- 4. discretion n; ability to act on one's own power of individual decision
- 5. diffidence n; shyness, reserve, unassertiveness
- 6. entreaty –n; a plea, an earnest request
- 7. hack n; one who forfeits professional integrity in exchange for money or reward
- 8. impel v; to urge or drive forward (usually with moral pressure)
- 9. incessant adj; uninterrupted
- 10. insipid adj; boring and stupid

- 1. laud to praise; to extol
- 2. petulance n; unreasonable touchiness or irritability
- 3. preclude v; to make impossible
- 4. reconcile v; to reestablish friendship, to resolve a dispute
- 5. reproach v; to blame for something; a disgrace
- 6. summon v; to call together, to send for or to request to appear
- 7. taciturn quiet; not verbose
- 8. transient adj; quickly passing, fleeting
- 9. upbraid v; to scold harshly; to reproach
- 10. voluble ability to use words easily and fluently

- 1. distant adj; chilly in manner
- 2. enumerate -v; to count one by one
- 3. frivolous –adj; lacking in seriousness or importance
- 4. humility n; the quality or state of being modest in manner
- 5. impute -v; to blame or to change
- 6. indolence n; laziness
- 7. invective -n; critical or abuse language; violent abuse
- 8. mortify v; to humiliate, to wound pride, to experience shame
- 9. odious adj; deserving hate or contempt
- 10. ostentatious adj; showy, pretentious

Vocabulary 22

- 1. mired (verb) stuck or entangled
- 2. prodigious (adj) enormous
- 3. inveigle to ensuare by flattery
- 4. matriarchy a family or state headed or ruled by a female
- 5. cupola light structure on a roof housing the bell
- 6. eloquence the act of using language with fluency
- 7. inane lacking sense; silly
- 8. seersucker a striped cotton fabric with wrinkles
- 9. anarchy social disorder due to lack of rules
- 10. insidious dangerous in a secret way

- 1. aesthetic relating or pertaining to a sense of beauty or art
- 2. ambiguous having more than one meaning; unclear, uncertain
- 3. cache a hole or hiding place used to store supplies
- 4. galvanize to stimulate or to excite as if by electric shock
- 5. impervious not capable of being damaged
- 6. innate existing from birth; inborn
- 7. languid slow; sluggish; listless; weak
- 8. opulence wealth; affluence; abundance
- 9. portly heavy or rotund in a stately manner, stout
- 10. tacit (TAS it) understood, silent, not spoken

- 1. accolade praise; an award
- 2. vivid bright, distinct, and clear
- 3. virtuoso (vur choo OH so) one skilled in the fine arts as an accomplished musician
- 4. solace to comfort or to cheer
- 5. reticent (ret uh sunt) restraint in speech, reluctance to speak
- 6. pungent sharp or irritating to the taste or smell
- 7. parody humorous or ridiculous imitation
- 8. implausible not believable
- 9. droll odd or whimsical
- 10. contentious quarrelsome, stirring controversy

Vocabulary 25

- 1. stream of consciousness A literary technique that presents the thoughts and feelings of a character as they occur.
- 2. angular lean; sharp; cornered; gaunt
- 3. candid blunt, sincere, honesty
- 4. elegiac (el uh JEE uk) mournful, expressing sorrow
- 5. gratis free
- 6. laconic using a minimum of words; concise to the point of appearing rude
- 7. loathe to detest
- 8. monotony sameness
- 9. petty- small and insignificant
- 10. philanderer one who engages in love affairs lightly or insincerely

- 1. wilt to become limp; to droop or weaken
- 2. trepidation fear, trembling, agitation
- 3. seethe- to boil, to be agitated
- 4. raucous (\'ro-kəs\) adjective- disagreeably harsh or strident; hoarse
- 5. incipient beginning to come into being; the early stage of something
- 6. enthralling- captivating, spellbinding
- 7. aura a distinctive quality about a person, place, or thing
- 8. authoritative coming from the proper authority; conclusive
- 9. dormer a gabled extension of an attic room
- 10. befuddled confused

- 1. valise -n; a small traveling bag
- 2. simonize -v; to shine or polish
- 3. epiphany- n; a sudden insight, realization, or revelation
- 4. chamois -n; a cotton a leather cloth used for polishing a car
- 5. imbue- v; to inspire with feelings or opinions
- 6. mercurial adj; quick to change in temperament
- 7. agitation n; disturbance, annoyance
- 8. idealist n; an unrealistic dreamer
- 9. avidly adv; with great interest; enthusiastically
- 10. sentiment n; tender, nostalgic feeling

Vocabulary 28

- 1. admonish v; to scold in a mild manner
- 2. brusque [brusk] adj; abrupt; blunt
- 3. fathom v; to understand
- 4. fulminations n; verbal assault
- 5. harbinger [har bin jer] n: event that foreshadows a future event
- 6. plaintively adv; in a mournful manner
- 7. ravenous adj; extremely hungry
- 8. supine [soo pin] adj; lying on the back
- 9. vaulted adj; arched
- 10. vermin n; harmful or objectionable creature (such as a cockroach or rat)

- 1. repose verb; rest
- 2. retrenchment noun; reduction
- 3. imploringly adverb; pleadingly
- 4. foretoken verb; prediction or noun; a predictive sign
- 5. superfluous adjective; unnecessary
- 6. copiously adverb; plentifully
- 7. placate verb; calm
- 8. conspicuous adjective; obvious
- 9. saccharine [sak-uh-reen] adjective; overly sweet
- 10. liaison- [lee a zon] noun; a linking up, a meeting

- 1. swoon verb; to faint
- 2. pallid adjective; pale
- 3. asphyxia noun; difficulty breathing
- 4. invocation noun; call for help (calling upon a god, deity, or spirit for aid or guidance)
- 5. sojourn noun; short stay
- 6. ascertain verb; to determine
- 7. casement noun; window frame
- 8. dissuade verb; to advise against
- 9. pronounce verb; to state as obvious or official
- 10. allegory noun; story in which the characters, setting, and events stand for abstract or moral qualities