

Vocabulary Words

Chapter 1

Wraithlike p.1 *adjective* – like a ghost

Scornfully p.1 *adverb* – showing disgust

Delinquent p.1 *noun* – usually a young person who does illegal or immoral acts

Gossip p.2 *noun* – rumors about other people; usually personal facts that hurts feelings

Serenity p.2 *noun* – calm; peaceful

Privilege p.2 *noun* – an advantage or favor that is granted to someone

Isolate p.3 *verb* to set apart from others

Postmistress p.3 *noun* – a woman who is in charge of a post office

Murmured p.3 *verb* – complained; grumbled

Subsided p.3 *verb* – to become quiet or less

Vulnerable p.4 *adjective* – capable of being physically or emotionally wounded; open to attack or damage

Probed p.4 *verb* – to search into and explore very thoroughly

Preliminaries p.5 *noun* – something that precedes or is introductory to help prepare

Exclusive p.6 *adjective* – to not share

Prodigious p.6 *adjective* – causing amazement or wonder

Repulsive p.7 *adjective* - disgusting

Stole p.9 *noun* –a long wide scarf worn by women across the shoulders

Peculiar p.10 *adjective* – strange; odd; eccentric

Supine p.11 *adjective* – leaning or sloping backward

Relinquished p.11 *verb* – gave up; let go of

Frivoling p.12 *verb* – wasting time; messing around

Chapter 2

Flounced p.14 *verb* – to go with sudden determination

Belligerent p.15 *adjective* – showing hostility or combativeness; being argumentative

Tractable p.16 *adjective* – easily managed or controlled

Inadvertently p.17 *adjective* – not focusing the mind on a matter

Placidly p.18 *adjective* – calmly free of interruption or disturbance

Dilapidated p.20 *adjective* – decayed; fallen in partial ruin

Peremptory p.21 *adjective* – expressive of urgency or command

Assimilate p.22 *verb* – to take into the mind and thoroughly understand

Chapter 3

Gamboled p.23 *verb* – to skip about in play

Judiciously p.24 *adjective* – having sound judgement

Conceive p.27 *verb* - understand

Dubiously p.28 *adjective* – doubtful

Morass p.30 *noun* – confusing mass or mixture

Indignantly p.33 *adjective* – feeling or showing anger because of something unjust or unworthy

Chapter 4

Authoritative p.34 *adjective* – having authority; being in charge; one who is clearly accurate or knowledgeable

Corporeal p.34 *adjective* – having a physical material body

Inexorable p.35 *adjective* – not to be persuaded, moved or stopped

Ineffable p.36 *adjective* – cannot be expressed into words

Metamorphosis p.39 *noun* – change of physical form

Clamored p.39 *verb* – to become loud

Delved p.40 *verb* – to dig into

Resonant p.41 *adjective* – intensified and enriched

Unobscured p.44 *adjective* – clear; unhidden

Chapter 5

Perturbed p.47 *verb* – bothered or upset

Illuminating p.48 *adjective* – providing light or understanding

Dissolution p.49 *noun* – the act of dissolving or separating

Protoplasm p.50 *noun* – the organized colloidal complex of organic and inorganic substances (such as proteins and water) that constitutes the living nucleus, cytoplasm, plastids, and mitochondria of the cell

Plaintively p.51 *adjective* – expressive of suffering

Sonorous p.53 *adjective* – full or loud in sound

Reverberated p.53 *verb* – to become reflected

Chapter 6

Anticlimax p.58 *noun* – an outcome that is strikingly less important or dramatic than expected

Facet p.58 *noun* – any of the definable aspects that make up a subject or object

Precipitously p.62 *adjective* – hurriedly; hasty

Propitious p.62 *adjective* – favorable

Talisman p.63 *noun* – an object held to act as a charm to avert evil and bring good fortune

Chapter 7

Bilious p.72 *adjective* – sickeningly unpleasant

Reprocessing p.74 *verb* – to subject to a special process or treatment in preparation for reuse

Requisition p.74 *noun* – the act of formally

Arrogance p.74 *noun* – an attitude of superiority manifested in an overbearing manner

Obliquely p.77 *adjective* – not straight forward; indirectly

Gallivanting p.78 *verb* – to travel, roam, or move about for pleasure

Chapter 8

Hysterical p.84 *adjective* – feeling or showing extreme and unrestrained emotion

Somber p.87 *adjective* – dull or heavy cast or shade; serious; grave

Swivet p.87 *noun* – a state of extreme agitation

Annihilate p.88 *verb* – to cause to cease to exist; to do away with entirely

Emanate p.90 *verb* – to come out from a source

Chapter 9

Sniggered p.91 *verb* – laughed; sneered at

Brusquely p.94 *adjective* - abruptly

Gibberish p.95 *noun* – unintelligible or meaningless language

Translucent p.95 *adjective* – clear; transparent

Myopic p.96 *adjective* - nearsighted

Gait p.98 *noun* – a manner of walking or moving on foot

Inexorable p.99 *adjective* – not to be persuaded, moved, or stopped; relentless

Omnipotent p.99 *adjective* – having virtually unlimited authority or influence

Dais p.100 *noun* – a raised platform

Chapter 10

Atrophied p.104 *adjective*- having progressively declined or weakened

Corrosive p.109 *adjective* – tending or having the power to weaken or eat away

Fallible p.109 *adjective* – capable of making a mistake

Assuaged p.111 *verb* – to lessen to lessen the intensity of; to ease;

Chapter 11

Trepidation p.112 *noun* – a nervous or fearful feeling of uncertain agitation; apprehension

Pungent p.114 *adjective* – intense flavor or odor

Opaque p.115 *adjective* – hard to understand or explain

Converged p.119 *verb* – to come together and unite in a common interest or focus

Despondency p.120 *noun* – hopeless; extremely low in spirits

Virtue p.120 *noun* – value; beneficial quality or power of a thing

Reproving p.120 *verb* – to scold or correct usually gently or with kindly intent

Chapter 12

Appallingly p.122 *adverb* – inspiring horror, dismay, or disgust

Formidably p.123 *adverb* – causing fear, dread, or apprehension

Poised p.127 *adjective* – marked by easy composure or manner or bearing

Imperceptibly p.129 *adverb* – not perceptible by a sense or by the mind; extremely slight, gradual, or subtle

Permeating p.130 *verb* – to diffuse through or penetrate something

Loathing p.131 *noun* – extreme disgust

Vestige p.131 *noun* – a trace, mark, or visible sign left by something vanished or lost

Anxiety p.133 *noun* – apprehensive uneasiness or nervousness usually over an impending or anticipated ill