

English
VOCABULARY - PART 2

### Annus Horribilis (A Latin Phrase)

• A year notable for great adversity or misfortune; a disastrous year.

# Raffish (A)

- Cheaply or showily vulgar in appearance or nature, tawdry
- Characterized by a carefree or fun loving
- Careless in dress manners
- Use in negative sense

His raffish air

# Malcontent (A) (malcontent)

- A chronically dissatisfied person
- Rebellious
- Disgusted discontented
- Content= satisfied

Example: It was too late to stop the malcontents with a show of force.

# Sweltering (A)

Oppressively hot & humid, sultry suffering from oppressive heat

# Oppressive (A)

- Difficult to cope with.
- Exercising power arbitrarily often unjustly
- Tyrannical, cruel, harsh
- Depressing

# Hurl (V) hurled, hurling, hurls

- To throw with great force, fling
- To send with great vigor, thrust

# Contemplation (N)

- State of contemplating
- Thoughtful observation or study full or deep consideration
- Contemplate = to look at attentively and thoughtfully

# Dread (V) Dreads, dreading, dreaded

- To be in terror of, fear intensely, to anticipate with alarm
- Profound fear

# Endurable (A)

• Possible to be endured, tolerable, bearable

# Eddy (N)

 A current as of water or air moving contrary to the direction of the main current

# Eddy (V)

- Eddies, eddied, eddying
- To move in or as if in an eddy or eddies

# Congregation (N)

- The act of assembling
- A group of people gathered for religious worship

# Sermon (N)

- A religious discourse
- A serious speech

# Vow (N)

• An earnest promise to perform a specified act or behave in a certain manner.

#### Dogma (N)

- A system of principles or tenets, as of church
- An established belief or principle

#### DOGMATIC (N)

Asserting opinions in dictatorial manner

# TENET (N)

• Any opinion, principle, doctrine, dogma, etc. one held as true by members of a profession, group

# Audacity (N)

- A willingness to take bold risks
- Rude or disrespectful behavior

#### Example:

- a) He whistled at the sheer audacity of the plan.
- b) She had the audacity to suggest I was the source of recent controversy.

# Purport (V)

- Appear to be or do something, especially falsely
- The purpose or intention of something.

Example: a) She is not the person she purports to be.

b) I don't understand the purport of your remarks

# Bigot (N)

• A person who is extremely intolerant of another's creed, belief, or opinion

- BIGOTRY (N)
- Extreme intolerance of any creed, belief, or opinion that differs from one's own

### Tenor (N)

• Sense, meaning, theme, intent, gist, essence, significance, mood, character

The general tenor of his speech The general tenor of the debate

# Valiant (A)

Having or showing valor

Example: The hostages made a valiant attempt to overtake their captors.

### Dowdy (A)

Unfashionable and unstylish in appearance dull, old fashioned ill-dressed

Example: She had serviceable but dowdy clothes.

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