

Vocabulary Words 1—September 20, 2017

| Vocabulary Word | Definition | My Sentence |
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| 1. <i>Boorish</i> | Adj. Rough and bad mannered; coarse | His boorish behavior was embarrassing to watch. |
| 2. <i>Cynical</i> | Adj. Believing that people are motivated by self-interest; distrustful of human sincerity or integrity. | I was cynical of relationships after being cheated on. |
| 3. <i>Obscure</i> | Adj. Difficult to understand; partially hidden. | The clouds obscure the sun. |
| 4. <i>Poignant</i> | V. Deeply moving; strongly affecting the emotions | The commercial about shelter dogs was very poignant. |
| 5. <i>Respite</i> | n. A short period of rest or relief from something difficult or unpleasant. | Hawaii will provide some respite from work. |
| 6. <i>Hiatus</i> | A pause or gap in a sequence, series, or process. | I hate when Grey's Anatomy goes on Hiatus. |
| 7. <i>Languid</i> | Adj. Slow and relaxed; tired | Your steps are very languid when getting to class. |
| 8. <i>Poised</i> | Adj. Calm; collected; having a composed and self-assured manner. | Tommy was very poised when giving his speech on bullying. |
| 9. <i>Braggart</i> | N. A person who boasts about achievements or possessions. | Baxter was the worst braggart when it came to his basketball skills. |
| 10. <i>Debunking</i> | V. Exposing false claims or myths. | Some people spend their lives debunking stories about aliens. |