Mr. Valentine's 12th Grade English - Vocabulary List 9 - Standard

1. Amiable - (Adjective) - having or showing pleasant, good-natured personal qualities.

Example - The amiable hostess was happy to accommodate our requests.

Synonyms - affable, friendly, sociable. Antonyms - mean, nasty, unsociable

2. Audacious - (Adjective) - extremely bold or daring; recklessly brave; fearless.

Example - The audacious hero ran into the dragon's cave.

Synonyms - adventurous, bold, courageous. Antonyms - Meek, cautious, afraid.

3. Constancy - (Noun) - the quality of being unchanging or unwavering, as in purpose, love, or loyalty; firmness of mind; faithfulness.

Example - Joe-Bob knew of Gilbert's constancy and decided he could depend on Gilbert in tough times.

Synonyms - dependability, steadfastness, trustworthiness. Antonyms - Unsteadiness, wavering, dishonesty.

4. Dote - (Verb) - to bestow or express excessive love or fondness habitually.

Example - They dote on their youngest daughter.

Synonym - fawn, cherish, flatter, praise. Antonyms - ignore, offend, denounce.

5. Enamored - (Adjective) - Filled or inflamed with love; charmed of captivated.

Example - When Joe-Bob first saw Betty-Jo, he was enamored of her beauty.

Synonyms - Charmed, captivated, enraptured. Antonyms - disgusted, repulsed, turned off by.

6. Palpable - (Adjective) - readily or plainly seen, heard, perceived, etc; obvious; evident.

Example - When Joe-Bob said he'd flown on a unicorn to the land of flying flapjacks, the fact that he was lying was quite palpable.

Synonyms - obvious, evident, plain. Antonyms - hidden, obscure, uncertain.

7. Paragon - (Noun) - a model or pattern of excellence or of a particular excellence.

Example - The hero was a paragon of virtue.

Synonyms - ideal, epitome, exemplar. Antonyms - opposite, non-example.

8. Paramour - (Noun) - an illicit lover, especially of a married person; any lover.

Example - Betty-Jo caught Joe-Bob with a paramour and decided to leave him

Synonyms - lover, mistress. Antonyms - N/A

9. Reprehend - (Verb) - to reprove or find fault with; rebuke; censure; blame.

Example - Gilbert reprehended Joe-Bob for having a paramour, and comforted Betty-Jo.

Synonyms - Rebuke, scold, blame, censure. Antonyms - praise, commend, extoll.

10. Revel - (Noun) - boisterous merrymaking or festivities.

Example - Gilbert attended Susie-Jo's birthday revels.

Synonym - party, celebration, merrymaking, festivity. Antonyms - N/A