Mr. Valentine’s 10th Grade English – Vocabulary List for Unit 3, Week 3

**1. Blasphemous – Adjective -** uttering, containing, or exhibiting something irreverent or profane.

**2. Consternation – Noun -** a sudden, alarming amazement or dread that results in utter confusion; dismay.

**3. Lamentations - Noun - -** the act of expressing grief, sorrow, mourning, regret.

**4. Limbo - Noun -** a region on the border of hell or heaven, serving as the abode after death of unbaptized infants (limbo of infants ) and of the righteous who died before the coming of Christ (limbo of the fathers, or limbo of the patriarchs ).

**5. Magnanimous – Adjective -** generous in forgiving an insult or injury; free from petty resentfulness or vindictiveness.

**6. Omnipotent – Adjective -** having very great or unlimited authority or power.

**7. Pilgrimage – Noun -** a journey, especially a long one, made to some sacred place as an act of religious devotion.

**8. Self-Insert Fiction – Noun –** a story wherein the author makes himself a character in his/her own story.

**9. Shade – Noun –** the spirit or ghost of a dead person.

**10. Transgress – Verb -** to violate a law, command, moral code, etc.; [offend](https://www.dictionary.com/browse/offend); [sin](https://www.dictionary.com/browse/sin).

Practice Problems

1. When Gilbert said, “Your beliefs…they suck,” Joe-Bob replied, “That’s a totally \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ thing to say!”

2. Some cross the river into the afterlife; others Charon denies, and they must remain waiting in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

3. After the Archbishop of Canterbury was murdered for his beliefs, folks turned it into a site of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ , taking holy journeys on foot or horse from wherever they lived to Canterbury Cathedral.

4. When Gilbert broke the rules of their religion, Joe-Bob stated, “You have \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ against our code.”

5. When Aeneas (or Dante) travel through the underworld, they speak with many \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from mythology, literature, and history.

6. Many polytheistic religions have flawed and limited gods who frequently act like petty humans and get into all sorts of trouble, while monotheistic religions typically state that their god is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and perfect.

7. Conan the Barbarian was once asked, “What is best in life?” As a simple-minded warrior, orphaned and raised in the gladiator pits, his answer was that of a warrior, “To crush your enemies, see them driven before you, and hear their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .”

8. When Floober cut Joe-Bob off in traffic, Joe-Bob was full of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ .

9. Bobbi-Jo told Joe-Bob to forgive him though, to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and move on.

10. Dante Alighieri wrote the Divine Comedy, then made his main character Dante. This is a good example of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ genre.