

VOCABULARY 1 (9/7-16)

ameliorate (v) to make better; to improve

burnish (v) to make or become smooth, bright, and glossy

cynic (n) one who believes others are motivated entirely by selfishness

eminence (n) superiority in position or rank

flippant (adj) impertinent; disrespectful

incisive (adj) cutting into

litigate (v) to contest in a lawsuit

pallid (adj) pale; colorless

quandary (n) dilemma; problem

rummage (v) search thoroughly

torpid (adj) lacking alertness and activity; lethargic; lazy

vertigo (n) dizziness

encapsulate (v) to express something in concise form

entice (v) tempt by offering something attractive

fragment (n) broken piece; incomplete piece

layout (n) way things are arranged; design of printed matter

orientation (adj) position or direction in which something lies

review (n) to write a journalistic report on the quality of a new play, book, movie, concert, or other public performance

tag line (n) a phrase repeatedly used in connection with a person, organization, or product, especially in publicity

teaser (n) a preview intended to arouse curiosity and interest in a forthcoming broadcast or publication