## VOCABULARY 3

**arbiter** (n) one who is authorized to judge or decide

capricious (adj) changeable; fickle

**derision** (n) ridicule; mockery

equivocal (adj) doubtful; uncertain

frenetic (adj) frantic; frenzied

indict (v) charge with a crime

**lucid** (adj) easily understood

passive (adj) submissive; unassertive

rampart (n) anything that protects or defends

**serrated** (adj) having a sawtoothed edge

**travesty** (n) a crude and ridiculous representation

vulnerable (adj) open to attack; unprotected

**agriculture** (n) the production of crops, livestock, or poultry

estate (n) a piece of landed property, esp. one of large extent with an elaborate house on it.

famished (adj) extremely hungry

**genocide** (*n*) the deliberate and systematic extermination of a national, racial, political, or cultural group

massacre (v) to kill unnecessarily and indiscriminately, esp. a large number

**plantation** (*n*) a usually large farm or estate, esp. in a tropical or semitropical country, on which cotton, tobacco, coffee, sugar cane, or the like is cultivated, usually by resident laborers

**point of view (n)** a mental viewpoint or attitude

**subjugate** (v) to make submissive or subservient; enslave