

# Vocabulary

## Core Vocabulary

anticipation—*n.*

excitement about something before it happens

bankers' lights—*n.*

desk lamps used by bankers; their green shades were believed to help deflect bright light and reduce strain on the eyes—an important thing for people who spent their day poring over complex numbers

card catalogue—*n.*

the filing system used by librarians before computers; the card catalogue was a collection of cards that told visitors what books the library had and where to locate them

foyer—*n.*

an entryway, often leading into another room

preside—*v.*

rule over or be in charge of

quilt rack—*n.*

used for hanging quilts and blankets once they are folded