VOCABULARY POWER PLUS COLLEGE AND CAREER READINESS

LESSON 1

GALL

- Noun
- Shameless boldness; nerve
- Synonym: audacity; impudence
- Antonym: shyness; modesty

PARRY

- Verb
- To deflect or evade a blow, especially in sword fighting
- Synonym: repel

COGITATE

- Verb
- To think deeply
- Synonym: ponder; ruminate

TRANSPIRE

- Verb
- To happen; to take place
- Synonym: occur

RUFFIAN

- Noun
- A brutal, lawless person
- Synonym: thug; bully

LICENTIOUS

- Adjective
- Morally unrestrained
- Synonym: immoral; lewd
- Antonym: chaste; pure

NUMISMATIST

- Noun
- A coin collector

PAUCITY

- Noun
- A scarcity; a lack
- Synonym: insufficiency
- Antonym: abundance

FATALISTIC

- Adjective
- Believing that all events in life are inevitable and determined by fate

OBTRUDE

- Verb
- To force oneself into a situation uninvited
- Synonym: impose; intrude
- Antonym: extricate

PENSIVE

- Adjective
- Dreamily thoughtful
- Synonym: reflective; meditative
- Antonym: silly; frivolous

LACKADAISICAL

- Adjective
- Uninterested; listless
- Synonym: spiritless, apathetic; languid
- Antonym: enthusiastic; inspired

ALIENATE

- Verb
- To turn away feelings or affections
- Synonym: estrange
- Antonym: endear; unite

ELATED

- Adjective
- In high spirits; exultantly proud and joyful
- Synonym: overjoyed
- Antonym: depressed

EPIGRAM

- Noun
- A witty saying expressing a single thought or observation
- Synonym: aphorism; quip