

The Tragedy of Macbeth

Vocabulary Act I

Part A: Definitions and Parts of Speech--Please commit the following definitions to memory. After each definition, please write the part of speech (N, V, ADJ, ADV)

1. minion: servant of a powerful person (1.2.19) _____
2. deign: to do something that one considers to be beneath his dignity (1.2.60) _____
3. prophetic: having the power to predict or foreshadow (1.3.78) _____
4. interim: an intervening time (1.iii.155) _____
5. liege: Lord or king (1.4.3) _____
6. recompense : payment or compensation for duties or gifts (1.4.17) _____
7. chastise: to condemn sharply; scold (1.5.26) _____
8. impede: to interfere with the progress of (1.5.27) _____
9. beguile: to influence by trickery (1.5.62) _____
10. sovereign: supreme in power, rank, or authority (1.5.72) _____

Part B: Synonyms and Antonyms--Match the correct synonym from column A and the antonym from Column C with the vocabulary word in Column B (keep the parts of speech in mind).

<u>Column A-Synonyms</u>	<u>Column B-Vocab</u>	<u>Column C-Antonyms</u>
A. a ruler	_____ 1. minion _____	K. aid; encourage
B. block; delay	_____ 2. deign _____	L. "near-sighted"
C. charm	_____ 3. prophetic _____	M. applaud; commend
D. discipline; reprimand	_____ 4. interim _____	N. subordinate
E. psychic	_____ 5. liege _____	O. repel
F. almighty	_____ 6. recompense _____	P. servant
G. redress	_____ 7. chastise _____	Q. cost; charge
H. underling	_____ 8. impede _____	R. refuse
I. stoop	_____ 9. beguile _____	S. superior
J. meantime	_____ 10. sovereign _____	T. now

Part C: Sentences--Complete the following sentences by filling in the blanks with the correct vocabulary word.

1. The store owner offered his customer substantial _____ for the injury she suffered while on the store's property.
2. My son knows just to _____ me in order to get permission to do what he wants.
3. Students who stop in the middle of the hallway to talk _____ those of us who try to get to class on time.
4. Will your mother _____ you for the low grade you received on your test?

5. Many people believe that Theresa Caputo, the Long Island Medium, is truly _____ while others believe that she just makes good guesses.
6. "I bow before you, my _____, and ask for your forgiveness."
7. The evil witch sent one of her _____ to find the young girl and bring her back to the witch's lair.
8. Barack Obama is considered the most _____ man in the U.S.A..
9. Julia would not _____ to speak to the "uncool" kids in school, which is why everyone thought Julia was a snob.
10. You have a test in 8 days; in the _____, you should definitely start studying.

