

Eng 10 H Vocabulary: Group C, Set Seven

- 1) **Vicarious** (adj.) - experienced or felt by watching, hearing about, or reading about someone else rather than doing something your self
“Jealous of her friend’s trip to Hawaii, Jessica was living vicariously through her by constantly asking for pictures.”
- 2) **Impute** (v.) - to lay the responsibility or blame for (something) often falsely or unjustly; to credit or ascribe (something) to a person or a cause
“His father unfairly imputed his son’s recent failure to laziness.”
- 3) **Despondent** (adj.) - feeling or showing extreme discouragement, **dejection**, or depression
“He grew increasingly despondent when she refused to return his calls.”
- 4) **Inveigle** (v.) - persuade (someone) to do something by means of deception or flattery
“She inveigled her way into a promotion.”
- 5) **Insinuate** (v.) - to impart or suggest in an artful or indirect way; imply
“John insinuated that Bill won by cheating.”
- 6) **Sullen** (adj.) - gloomily or resentfully silent or repressed
“The sullen crowd glowered at the Prime Minister.”
- 7) **Undulate** (v.) - to move gracefully in a wavelike manner
“We saw a field of wheat undulate in the gentle breeze.”
- 8) **Gaunt** (adj.) - excessively thin
“His gaunt expression suggested that he hadn’t eaten much on his camping trip.”
- 9) **Insidious** (adj.) - working or spreading in a hidden and usually injurious way
“She loathed the insidious influence of corporate culture.”
- 10) **Idiosyncratic** (adj.) - peculiar to the person
“The new hire tried to convince us that his management style, while idiosyncratic, was effective.”
- 11) **Enmity** (n.) - active, and typically mutual, hatred or ill-will
“For reasons that their parents couldn’t comprehend, a state of enmity existed between the two brothers.”
- 12) **Discernable** (adj.) - perceptible by the senses or intellect
“He made no discernable attempt to offer a reasonable explanation.”

13) **Cacophony** (n.) - a harsh discordant mixture of sounds

"The substitute teacher was greeted by a cacophony of sound as she entered the classroom."

14) **Surreptitious** (adj.) - marked by quiet and caution and secrecy

"Undetected, the thief surreptitiously entered the store through the rear door."

15) **Emulate** (v.) - strive to equal or match, especially by imitating

"Artificial snow machines attempt to emulate nature's way of making snow."