

Eng 10 H Vocabulary: Group D, Set Five

- 1) **Paeon** (n.) - a song of praise or triumph; a thing that expresses enthusiastic praise
(usage note: often used with the preposition "to.")
"The song is a paeon to solitude and independence."
- 2) **Irredentism** (n.) - a policy of advocating the restoration to a country of any territory formerly belonging to it
"Putin's invasion of Ukraine revealed to the world that irredentism is the animating principle of his foreign policy."
- 3) **Abject** (adj.) - (of something experienced) experienced to the maximum degree; (of a person or their behavior) completely without pride or dignity
"He was once one of the most praised artists this nation had ever produced, but he frittered away his earnings and died in abject poverty."
- 4) **Importune** (v.) - beg persistently and urgently
"Exhausted by the demands of his importunate son, dad snuck into the garage to listen to the baseball game, alone."
- 5) **Jocund** (adj.) - full of or showing high-spirited merriment
"It is such a delight to be in the company of jocund students!"
- 6) **Misanthrope** (n.) - someone who dislikes people in general
"She was shunned because of her miserable, misanthropic nature."
- 7) **Paroxysm** (n.) - a sudden attack or violent expression of a particular emotion or activity
"In a paroxysm of rage, the young boy quit the soccer field after being chastised by the coach."
- 8) **Peremptory** (adj.) - putting an end to all debate or action; final
"In a peremptory tone, the flight attendant told the passenger to either fasten his seat belt or get off the plane."
- 9) **Tantamount** (v.) - being essentially equal to something
"They see any criticism of the President as tantamount to treason."
- 10) **Verdant** (adj.) - characterized by an abundance of vegetation and green foliage
"I took a restorative walk along the sylvan, verdant path."
- 11) **Hedonist** (n.) - a person who believes that the pursuit of pleasure is the most important thing in life
"A natural hedonist, he ate seven doughnuts each day."

12) **Androgynous** (adj.) - having the characteristics of both male and female; neither specifically male or female

"We decided not to determine sex of our baby, but it doesn't matter since we've settled on an androgynous name."

13) **Spartan** (adj.) - showing an indifference to comfort or luxury traditionally associated with Sparta

"The led a rather spartan lifestyle, with few comforts and no luxuries."

14) **Provisional** (adj.) - arranged or existing for the present, possibly to be changed later

"Better than most, she understood what a provisional government meant: no power, little authority, and incapable of lasting."

15) **Florid** (n.) - having a red or flushed complexion; elaborately or excessively intricate or complicated

"That florid, operatic style of music went out of fashion decades ago."