

### Eng 10 H Vocabulary: Group E, Set One

- 1) **Seminal** (adj.) - (of a work, event, moment, or figure) strongly influencing later developments  
"She left behind an impressive body of fiction and criticism, including her seminal 1960s essay "Notes on Camp."
- 2) **Inchoate** (adj.) - just begun and thus not fully formed or developed; rudimentary  
"Since the company just opened, it is inchoate and, as a result, is not offering all of its services at the moment."
- 3) **Inundate** (v.) - to cover with a flood; overwhelm  
"Towards the end of the year, the teacher was inundated with requests for letters of recommendation."
- 4) **Liminal** (adj.) - situated at a sensory threshold; barely perceptible; at an intermediate stage  
"Adolescence is considered a liminal state situated between childhood and adulthood."
- 5) **Nimble** (adj.) - quick and light in movement or action; agile; (of the mind) quick to comprehend  
"Her nimble fingers made knitting look easy."
- 6) **Imbue** (v.) - inspire or permeate with a feeling or quality  
"The political platform of the party was imbued with the teachings of Mahatma Gandhi."
- 7) **Lugubrious** (adj.) - Looking or sounding sad and dismal  
"The artist was known for writing lugubrious songs about love lost."
- 8) **Tremulous** (adj.) - shaking or quivering slightly  
"The boy asked for a second bowl of gruel in a tremulous voice."
- 9) **Exogenous** (adj.) - relating to or developing from external factors  
"While some of the company's layoffs resulted from in-house problems, others resulted from exogenous factors that could not be predicted."
- 10) **Interlocutor** (n.) - one who takes part in a dialogue or conversation  
"The music was so loud at the party that I couldn't hear a single word of my interlocutor."
- 11) **Gumption** (n.) - initiative; enterprise  
"New York and Boston have reported a rise in carjackings, often used by gangs to test the gumption of new recruits."

12) **Thwart** (v.) - to oppose successfully; to run counter to so as to effectively oppose or baffle

"She did all she could to thwart his plans."

13) **Hamper** (v.) - to interfere with the operation of

"The driving rain hampered the efforts of the rescue team."

14) **Adulation** (n.) - obsequious flattery; excessive praise or admiration

"The musician found the adulation of his fans distasteful."

15) **Stentorian** (adj.) - (of a person's voice) loud and powerful

"He introduced me to the staff in a stentorian voice."