

Definition of Words

25. Mystery & Discovery

Adytum (uh-DYT-uhm): An inner shrine or private chamber; often secret or restricted.

Aporia (uh-POR-ee-uh): An irresolvable internal contradiction or logical disjunction in a text.

Athanor (ATH-uh-nor): An alchemist's self-feeding digesting furnace; symbolizing transformation.

Cabalist (KAB-uh-list): A person skilled in Jewish mysticism and the Kabbalah.

Catafalque (KAT-uh-falk): A decorative platform for a coffin, adding a sense of mystery.

Cryptanalysis (krip-TAN-uh-lis-sis): The study of decoding encrypted writings or messages.

Dactyliomancy (dak-til-ee-OH-man-see): Divination using rings, often involving mysterious signs.

Divulgation (di-vul-GAY-shun): The act of revealing or disclosing something previously mysterious.

Enigmatology (en-ig-ma-TOL-uh-jee): The study of puzzles and their mysteries.

Hierophany (hy-ER-oh-fan-ee): A manifestation of the divine; revealing something sacred.

Marginalia (mahr-juh-NAY-lee-uh): Notes written in the margins, often revealing insights.

Obscurant (ob-SKYUR-ant): A person who deliberately keeps others in the dark or ignorant.

Onomatomancy (on-uh-MAT-oh-man-see): Divination based on names' analysis, revealing hidden insights.

Periapt (PER-ee-apt): A magical charm or amulet, believed to hold mysterious powers.

Revelatory (rev-uh-LAY-tor-ee): Making something clear or known; a discovery or revelation.

Sciolist (SYE-uh-list): A person pretending to have knowledge.

Sesquipedalian (ses-kwih-puh-DAY-lee-uhn): Characterized by long words; mysterious or obscure.

Thaumatology (thaw-ma-TOL-uh-jee): The study of miracles, wonders, and the mysterious.

Theurgy (THEE-ur-jee): A magic practiced to invoke the action or presence of deities.

Xylography (zy-LOG-ruh-fee): The art of making engravings on wood for printing; discovering techniques.

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Solivagant (so-LIV-a-gant): Lone wanderer traveling without specific destination or companionship.

Noctivagant (nok-TIV-a-gant): Roaming or wandering during the nighttime; night traveler.

Ambulate (AM-bu-late): To walk; move about in a leisurely or aimless manner.

Vicambulate (vi-CAM-bu-late): Walk or move around within a specific area or vicinity.

Vagary (VAY-ga-ree): An unpredictable journey or action; a sudden wandering whim.

Perambulate (pe-RAM-bu-late): To travel through or around an area, often leisurely.

Gyrovague (JY-ro-vague): Wandering religious monk with no fixed home or monastery.

Cabotage (CAB-o-tage): Transport between ports within the same country; coastal navigation.

Peregrinate (PER-e-gri-nate): Travel or wander extensively from one place to another.

Nomadism (NO-mad-ism): Practice of living without a fixed home, constantly moving.

Errant (ER-rant): Roaming or wandering, often in search of adventure.

Itinerant (it-IN-er-ant): Moving from place to place, especially for temporary work.

Expeditionary (exp-e-DISH-un-ary): Relating to a journey, especially for exploration or military purposes.

Viaticum (vy-AT-ic-um): Provisions for a journey; also, Eucharist for the dying.

Pedestrianism (pe-DES-tree-an-ism): Practice or act of walking, especially as a sport or activity.

Comportation (kom-por-TAY-shun): The act of carrying or transporting from one place to another.

Hodophile (HOD-o-file): One who loves traveling or journeying to various places.

Coddiwomple (kod-DEE-wom-ple): Travel purposefully towards an unknown destination.

Transhumance (tran-SHU-mance): Seasonal migration of livestock between mountains and lowlands.

Psithurism (sith-UR-ism): The sound of wind in trees or rustling leaves; whispered noise.