

LOTF Ch. 9-10 Vocabulary

1. **Demented** (adj): crazy; insane; mad
I always thought that my dad was demented, but he is just a goofy guy.
2. **Iridescent** (adj): displaying a play of shimmering colors like a rainbow
The iridescent fabric was very popular for prom dresses this year.
3. **Corpulent** (adj): large, portly; fat
The corpulent family spent hours at the buffet, gorging themselves on food.
4. **Succulent** (adj): juicy
I always enjoy when fruit is in season because it is succulent and flavorful.
5. **Buffet** (verb): to strike with hand/fist; to strike or push against; to battle
The little boy attempted to buffet his brother with his toy, but he missed and fell over crying.
6. **Conveyed** (verb): to carry, bring, take from one place to another; to transport; to make known
Her tone conveyed how seriously she took the conversation we were having.
7. **Inquisitive** (adj): given to inquiry; curious; asking questions
Miss Ryder loves inquisitive children who participate in class with engaging questions.
8. **Ungainly** (adj): In an awkward manner; not graceful
He ran in an ungainly manner across the field with his injured knee.
9. **Abominable** (adj): repugnant; detestable, loathsome, unpleasant, disagreeable
The abominable actions of the criminal caused for the town to demand a firm punishment.
10. **Conviction** (noun): a fixed or firm belief
The man clearly held a strong conviction for equality as he argued in front of the senate.
11. **Loathing** (adj): showing strong dislike or disgust
Few people share my loathing for olives; I find them disgusting.
12. **Purged** (verb): to rid of whatever is impure; undesirable; to cleanse
This spring, I purged my home of all the clutter.
13. **Assimilate** (verb): to absorb; incorporate; to cause to resemble
Our foreign exchange students attempt to assimilate with the American culture.
14. **Torrid** (adj): oppressively hot (climate, weather, air); passionate
They had a torrid love affair that could not be matched.
15. **Composite** (noun): made up of dissimilar parts
The car was a composite of parts from several different auto manufacturers.
16. **Speculation** (noun): a contemplation or consideration; something thought about
I believe that the jury will find the defendant guilty, but that is just my speculation.