

Night Vocabulary Part 3

1. **hermetically** (adv): so as to be airtight
The food was hermetically sealed so that it would last longer.
2. **pestilential** (adj): having to do with a deadly disease or epidemic; something that is considered harmful, destructive, or evil
Having not bathed for several weeks, the men in the barracks emitted a pestilential smell.
3. **notorious** (adj): widely and unfavorably known; infamous
He is notorious for his gambling addiction.
4. **unremitting** (adj): not stopping or slowing down; constant
The alarm during a fire drill is unremitting.
5. **harangue** (v): a scolding or a long and intense verbal attack; a diatribe
After listening to him harangue smoking for an hour and a half, I knew he was vehemently opposed to the activity.
6. **reverie** (n): a daydream
I have great reveries about my summers in the south.
7. **compulsory** (adj): required; mandatory; obligatory
Serving in the army is compulsory in some countries but not in the U.S.
8. **disinterested** (adj): unbiased by personal interest or advantage; not influenced by selfish motives
Referees must make disinterested, or unbiased, calls.
9. **queue** (n): a line or file; (v): to form in a line while waiting
The students were standing in a queue because their teacher had asked them to queue up.
10. **reprieve** (n): a suspension or delay of punishment or execution
The prisoner received a reprieve and his execution was stayed.