Word of the Day

Thursday, September 29, 2012

* *Megrim*
* (MEE-grim) (noun)

Definition: Low spirit

“Cathy’s friend’s tried to convince her that a night at the movies would help alleviate her *megrims*, but she wasn’t buying it.”

A *megrim* old man, sitting on his porch wished his horrible life came to an end.

Wednesday, September 28, 2001

* *Contumacious*
* (kahn-too-MAY-shus) (noun)

Definition: stubbornly disobedient rebellious

“She sat till looking a little *contumacious* and very much indisposed to stir.”

The contumacious jewelry thief was eager to steal the coruscating diamonds.

Thursday, October 5, 2011

* *Doughty*
* (DOW-tee) (adjective)

Definition: marked by fearless resolution: valiant (brave, courageous)

“When little Liza saw the bullies picking on one of the younger boys the *doughty* girl marched up to them and demanded that they stop.”

The doughty fireman still went in the flaming, fiery house to save a women and her baby, but it was too late they had already burnt to death.

Thursday, October 13, 2011

* *Climacteric*
* (Kly-Mak-ter-ik) (noun)

Definition: a major turning point or critical stage

“Many historians have tried to pinpoint the Roman Empires *climacteric*, that precise moment when it began its long downhill slide.”

When the man missed his shot it was the *climacteric* moment that destroyed the teams spirit and their chance to be in the finals.

Wednesday, October, 19, 2011

* *Obsequious*
* (ob-SEE-Kwee-us) (adjective)

Definition: marked by or exhibiting a fawning attentiveness

“The executive brought with her an entourage of *obsequious* assistant would do anything she asked of them.”

The obsequious assistants proved that they were loyal, hard working and dedicaded their time and effort to the man they worked for.

Monday, November 21, 2011

* *Discriminate*
* (diss-KRIM-ih-nayt) (verb)

Definition: to see the special feature of

“One of the important skills for judging a dog show is the ability to *discriminate* between dozen of breeds.”

“Mr. Luther King fought for black people’s freedom and human rights because they had been *discriminated* by white people.

Tuesday, November 22, 2011

* *Impetuous*
* (im-PETCH-oo-us) (adjective)

Definition: marked by impulsive vehemence or passion

“After graduating from university, tom made the *impetuous* decision to hitchhike across the country.”

The wealthy heiress made the *impetuous* decision of buying another dress that she didn’t need because she had tons of them in her closet.

Monday, December 5, 2011

* *Indenture*
* (in-Den-chur) (verb)

Defintion: to bind (as an apprentice)

“My great –grandfather decided to immigrate to Canada when a wealthy man offered to *indenture* him as a servant in Ottawa.”

In the early 1800’s black slaves got *indentured* as workers to pay off ther food, shelter and other materials and objects give to them by their masters.

Wednesday, December 7, 2011

* *Divine*
* (dih-vyne) (verb)

Definition: to discover by intuition or insight, to locate or discover

“Turning into the park, I stumbled upon a man using a long stick to *divine* a source of water.”

In the novel Lure, Max and Caroline *divine* for ghost to see if the ghost encounters of the people reporting ghost activities were true.

Thursday, December 8, 2011

* *Endearment*
* (ih-deer-ment) (noun)

Definition: a word or act expressing affection

“While my husband was serving in Afghanistan, I kept a letter filled with *endearment* from him in a wallet.”

The love letter was filled with *endearments* and was wrote with true emotions that the girl had kept for decades, but had no confidence to give to the guy.

Monday, December 19, 2011

* *Stratagem*
* (STRAT-a-jum) (noun)

Definition: a cleverly contrived trick or scheme for gaining an end

“As a stratagem to get the kids to do their chores, Mel persuaded them to have a race to see which child could finish first.”

I feel like a merciless warlord when I make a *statragem* with children when I trick them to get me something when I am too lazy to get it myself or make them silent by tricking them with a prize they will never get.

January 10, 2011

* *Ingrate*
* (in-grat) (noun)

Definition: an ungrateful person

“The carpet master called Iqbal an *ingrate* after he cut the carpet to shreads.

The *ingrate* just walked pass me and pretended nothing happened, when I felt him bump me with force.

January 16, 2012

* *Equality*
* (i-KWA-le-te) (noun)
* Plural equalities

Definition: the quality or state of being equal(same rank or status)

“It’s absured to suggest that there was *equality* between all the citizens in the United States in the early 1960’s.”

I believe that everyone should be given the *equality* of rights, no matter what colour their skin is, the sex they are, the age they are or the beliefs they have because this makes us different from each other and don’t let anyone destroy who you are and fight for what you believe in.

Thursday, March 22, 2012

* *Prosperity*
* (praw-SPARE-ih-tee)

Definition: the condition of being successful or thriving

“The result was Panem, a Shining Capitol ringed by thirteen districts, which brought peace and *prosperity* to its citizens.”

Katniss Everdeen, the girl on fire brought confidence and *prosperity* when she was burning hot in the opening cerimonies and also when she got enraged and she shot an arrow right at the judge’s tables hitting the apple out of the pig’s mouth.