

Vocabulary List

Al Capone Does My Shirts

1. Affliction (n)
a cause of great pain, distress, or grief; cause of great suffering and distress.
2. Heaving (n)(v)
the act of lifting something with great effort; to raise up and down, difficulty breathing.
3. Louse (n)
wingless insect; (Slang) a mean or despicable person.
4. Heinous (adj)
hateful; shockingly brutal or cruel.
5. Cultivated (v)(adj)
prepared and used for growing crops; well-educated and having manners.
6. Wheedle (v)
to persuade or coax a person with words or actions.
7. Unseemly (adj)
not in keeping with accepted standards of what is right or proper in polite society; inappropriate or improper.
8. Culpability (adj)
a state of guilt or blame that is deserved.
9. Motivated (adj)(v)
provided with a motive or given incentive for action; inspired, determined.
10. Procuring (v)
to get by special effort; obtain or acquire.
11. Shimmy (v)
wiggle or shake.
12. Shale (n)

a sedimentary rock formed by the deposition of successive layers of clay and mud.

13. Deficiencies (n)
inadequacies or shortfalls.

14. Jeopardize (v)
to put at risk; endanger.

15. Forlorn (adj)
lonely and sad; hopeless.

16. Vulnerable (adj)
weak; open to attack; easily injured physically or emotionally.

17. Winces (v)
flinches; shrinks back, as if in pain or expecting it.

18. Seething (adj)
in an agitated emotional state, intensely hot; overflowing with anger.

19. Influence (n)
the effect of one thing (or person) on another.

20. Precedent (n)
an example that is used to justify similar occurrences at a later time; any act, decision, or case that serves as a guide or example.