

TO KILL A MOCKINGBIRD – VOCABULARY LIST #2

Because of the pressure on class time, we are providing you below with definitions for the second list of words from TKMB. However, you should make use of the page references to study the words in context. Ask questions in class if you do not understand the definitions. Pay attention to the form of each word to determine its part of speech. Also make note of other forms of each word. Note connections to prefixes, roots, and suffixes that you are encountering in Latin. Finally, remember that the study of vocabulary is cumulative; you are responsible for the growing list of words in the course of the year.

Chapter 12

Inconsistent	115t – adj., lacking steadiness or compatibility, changeable [consistent, inconsistency]
To bode well	115b – verb, foretell or indicate a good result through early signs or omens
Persist	117m – v., to go on stubbornly in spite of opposition [persistent, persistence]
Congregation	120m – n., assembly of people esp. for religious worship
Denunciation	122t – n., a public condemnation, formal accusation [denounce]
Aggravates [aggravation]	126m [sic – usage in novel is nonstandard] – v., to make worse, more serious

Chapter 13

Affirmative	128b – adj., positive, asserting something to be so [affirmation, affirm]
Hereditary	129b – adj., genetically transmitted [heritage, inherit, heretical]
Incestuous	130t – adj., referring to sexual intercourse between closely related kin [incest]
Devoid	130b – adj., lacking, empty [void]
Myopic	130b – adj., shortsighted, narrow-minded
Obliquely	130t – adv., indirectly or obscurely, at an angle [oblique]
Ultimate	131t – adj., utmost, farthest, maximum, eventual [ultimatum]
Speculations	132t – n., guesses, reflections, assumptions from insufficient data [speculate]

Revive 132t – v., to restore to life, renew in mind or memory [revision]

Elusive 133b – adj., hard to comprehend, capture, or identify [elude]

Chapter 14

Antagonize 138m – v. to provoke or arouse hostility or opposition [antagonist, antagonism]

Chapter 15

Inaudible 145b – adj., at too low a volume to be heard

Privy 150b – (remember how Boo got into original trouble), n., outhouse

Defiance 152b (and R&J) - n., challenge of authority, resistance or rebellion [defy, defiant]

Aggregation 154t – (see your science too) n., group or mass composed of many distinct parts or individuals [aggregate]

Chapter 16

Despise 156m – v., to look upon with contempt, strong dislike, even loathing

Grudge 158t (and R&J) - n., feeling of deep-seated and longstanding resentment

Affluent 160m – adj., rich, well off [affluence]

Idler 163t (capitalized in this context) – lazy or inactive person