

Easy Peasy All-in-One Homeschool British Literature

Vocabulary Quiz #12 – Day 145

Read the definitions below and choose the proper word from the box.

aphorism	explication	syntax	didactic	diction	caricature	pedantic
epigraph	inference	thesis	synesthesia	colloquial	atmosphere	litotes
synecdoche	semantics	invective	euphemism	genre	ambiguity	homily

1. _____ - a conclusion based on reasoning from evidence
2. _____ - conversational or informal vocabulary
3. _____ - overly concerned with details
4. _____ - a figure of speech where a part represents the whole
5. _____ - an explanation
6. _____ - vague or unclear meaning
7. _____ - a short witty saying or maxim
8. _____ - when one sense experiences something meant for a different sense
9. _____ - an inspirational saying or cliché

10. _____ - quotation at the beginning of a book, chapter, etc.
11. _____ - study of meaning and relationships between sentences or words and their meanings
12. _____ - meant for instruction
13. _____ - the mood or feeling of a situation or a place
14. _____ - a substitution for an offensive word or phrase
15. _____ - sequence in which words are put together to form sentences
16. _____ - an exaggerated imitation or representation
17. _____ - a strong attack with words
18. _____ - word choice in writing or speech
19. _____ - understatement
20. _____ - a proposal given to be elaborated on and proven
21. _____ - related to a specific literary type

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Answer Key

1. inference - a conclusion based on reasoning from evidence
2. colloquial - conversational or informal vocabulary
3. pedantic - overly concerned with details
4. synecdoche - a figure of speech where a part represents the whole
5. explication - an explanation
6. ambiguity - vague or unclear meaning
7. aphorism - a short witty saying or maxim
8. synesthesia - when one sense experiences something meant for a different sense
9. homily - an inspirational saying or cliché
10. epigraph - quotation at the beginning of a book, chapter, etc.
11. semantics - study of meaning and relationships between sentences or words and their meanings
12. didactic - meant for instruction
13. atmosphere - the mood or feeling of a situation or a place
14. euphemism - a substitution for an offensive word or phrase
15. syntax - sequence in which words are put together to form sentences
16. caricature - an exaggerated imitation or representation
17. invective - a strong attack with words
18. diction - word choice in writing or speech
19. litotes - understatement
20. thesis - a proposal given to be elaborated on and proven
21. genre - related to a specific literary type