## "Signs And Symbols" Vocabulary

Abstract- Relating to general ideas or qualities rather than specific people, things, or actions.

Astrakhan- A type of curly black fur that comes from a young sheep.

Beau- A woman's male lover or friend.

Bestial- Resembling or suggesting an animal or beast: very cruel, violent, etc.

Cipher- A method of secret writing or the alphabet or letters and symbols used in such writing.

Conspicuous- Very easy to see or notice.

Conspiracy- A secret plan to do something that is harmful or illegal.

Convalescence- To become healthy and strong again slowly over time after illness, weakness, or injury.

Countenance- The appearance of a person's face: a person's expression.

Delusion- A false idea or belief that is caused by mental illness.

Deprecation- To criticize or express disapproval of (someone or something).

Derange- To make insane.

Distort- To change (something) so that it is no longer true or accurate.

Eccentricity- The quality of being strange or unusual in behavior.

Elapse- Of time: to pass by.

Envious- Feeling or showing a desire to have what someone else has: feeling or showing envy.

Festive- Cheerful and exciting: suited to a celebration or holiday.

Garrulous- Tending to talk a lot: very talkative.

Gesticulate- Show, express or direct through movement (usually by moving arms and hands).

Grimace- A facial expression usually of disgust, disapproval, or pain.

Hysteria- A state in which your emotions are so strong that you behave in an uncontrolled way.

Idyllic- Very peaceful, happy, and enjoyable.

Insomnia- The condition of not being able to sleep.

Intercept- To take, seize, or stop before reaching an intended destination.

Inventive- Having or showing an ability to think of new ideas and methods: creative or imaginative. Knave- A playing card that ranks below a queen and above a 10: jack. Luminous- Producing or seeming to produce light. Lynch- To put to death (as by hanging) by mob action without legal sanction. Malignant-Likely to cause death. Mangle- To injure with deep disfiguring wounds by cutting, tearing, or crushing. Mislay- To lose (something) for a short time by forgetting where you put it. Monologue- A long speech given by a character in a story, movie, play, etc. Phobia- An unreasonable, abnormal, and lasting fear of something. Pneumonia- A serious disease that affects the lungs and makes it difficult to breathe. Prodigious- Amazing or wonderful: very impressive. Sanitarium- A hospital for the treatment of chronic diseases or various nervous or mental disorders. Score-Twenty. Silhouette- The outline or general shape of something. Simian- Of, relating to, or resembling monkeys or apes. Supine- lying on your back with your face upward.

Taboo- Something that is not acceptable to talk about or do.

Undulation- Any wave or wavelike form.

Unfledged- Not feathered: not ready for flight.

Trousers- Pants.

Tremulous- Characterized by or affected with trembling or tremors.