"The Lamp At Noon" Vocabulary

Brood- To think a lot about something in an unhappy, worrying way.

Derision- The feeling that people express when they criticize someone or something in an insulting way.

Disdain- A feeling of strong dislike of someone or something you think does not deserve respect.

Distraught- So upset that you are not able to think clearly or behave normally.

Drought- A period of dry weather, especially a long one that is injurious to crops.

Ebb- A point or condition of decline.

Engulf- To flow over and cover (someone or something).

Exasperation- The state of being very annoyed or upset.

Exuberance- The state of being very lively, happy, or energetic: filled with energy and enthusiasm.

Futile- Having no result or effect: pointless or useless.

Gratify- To make (someone) happy or satisfied.

Impenetrable- Impossible to pass or see through.

Oppressive- Unreasonably burdensome or severe.

Pauper- A very poor person who has no money to pay for food, clothing, etc.

Pneumonia- A serious disease that affects the lungs and makes it difficult to breathe.

Quarrel- An angry dispute or altercation marked by a temporary or permanent break in friendly relations

Resentment- A feeling of anger or displeasure about someone or something unfair.

Respite- A delay or cessation for a time, especially of anything distressing.

Scourge- Someone or something that causes a great amount of trouble or suffering.

Sheathe- To cover (something) with something that protects it.

Sombre- Gloomy, depressing, or dismal.

Stark- Very obvious: very plain and easily seen.

Traverse- To pass or move over, along, or through.