

The Pearl Vocabulary Chapter 2

Adhere- To stick to something.
Bulwark- Something that provides protection for or against something.
Canoe- A light narrow boat with pointed ends, propelled by a paddle or paddles.
Clarity- The quality or state of being clear.
Deft- Neatly skillful and quick in one's movements.
Estuary- The tidal mouth of a large river, where the tide meets the stream.
Gloat- To show in an improper way that you are happy with your own success or another's misfortune.
Illusion- A thing that is or is likely to be wrongly perceived or interpreted by the senses.
Incandescence- The steady giving off of the form of radiation that makes vision possible.
Irritate- Make (someone) annoyed, impatient, or angry.
Mangrove- A tree or shrub that grows in chiefly tropical coastal swamps that are flooded at high tide.
Mirage- Something that comes from or exists only in the mind and is not real.
Obscure- Having an often intentionally veiled or uncertain meaning.
Perceptible- (Especially of a slight movement or change of state) able to be seen or noticed.
Poultice- A medicated covering used to heal an injury.
Recede- Go or move back or further away from a previous position.
Remedy- A medicine or treatment for a disease or injury.
Shrill- (Of a voice or sound) high-pitched and piercing.
Strew- Scatter or spread (things) untidily over a surface or area.
Subside- Become less intense, violent, or severe.
Tact- The ability to deal with others in touchy situations without offending them.
Undulate- To move or be shaped like waves.
Vague- Of uncertain, indefinite, or unclear character or meaning.
Writhe- Make continual twisting, squirming movements or contortions of the body.

