

Bergen Evans Vocabulary 21-30, March 2012

Use a dictionary to define the words below. Be sure to use the definition as it applies to how the word is used in the sentence. Find roots &/or meanings when instructed. Connect to *The Things They Carried*.

21. **impolitic (adj) impoliticness (n)** It was *impolitic* of you to praise blondes to a brunette.

Definition: _____

22. **incipient (adj) incipience (n)** *Incipient* despotism often masks as public service. an *incipient* solar system. *incipient* racial tensions. Definition: _____

Root word from Latin = _____ meaning _____ Think *Inception*.

23. **ingenuous (adj) ingenuousness (n)** Children are too *ingenuous* to know when to keep quiet.

Definition: _____

24. **innuendo (n)** I don't want to hear any of your *innuendoes*; say what you mean! Definition: _____

25. **irascible (adj) irascibleness (n)** Everybody was afraid of arousing the boss' *irascible* temper.

Definition: _____

26. **limpid (adj) limpidness (n)** Mountain rivers are so *limpid* you can see every pebble on their beds. Definition: _____

27. **malevolent (adj) malevolence (n)** In the story, a *malevolent* witch attempts to thwart the hero.

Definition: _____

Root word from Latin = *mal* meaning _____

28. **metamorphosis (n) metamorphic (adj)** In her four years at college, the shy country girl underwent a complete *metamorphosis*, graduating as a sophisticated young woman.

Definition: _____

from _____, meaning "change" and _____, meaning "form" or "shape"

← Don't forget the back →

29. **niggardly (adj) niggardliness (n)** He was so *niggardly* he hated to pay for a postage stamp.

Definition: _____

30. **nuance (n)** The French say truth lies in *nuances*. Definition: _____

Make a connection between *The Things They Carried* and these vocabulary words. Explain the connection.

irascible

innuendo

ingenuous

incipient

impolitic

limpid

malevolent

metamorphosis

niggardly

nuance