

Vocabulary Quiz Guidance

STUDENT: Oh my God! Why are we doing this? I *loathe* vocabulary quizzes!

TEACHER: Don't worry, you'll like this one – perhaps. (Well, maybe not.) In any case, these will help make sure you know your texts and they will increase your vocab power and test taking skills when TOFEL comes around. Your PARENTS love these, guaranteed.

STUDENT: [*In an exasperated whisper*] Yeh.

TEACHER: And you'll become a powerful human being who can master the arts of the brush so you don't need to resort to the arts of the sword. With your words, ye shall conquer.

STUDENT: [*With a shrug*] I guess so. Whatever.

1. The quiz will be based on vocabulary words from the booklets for 'The Dialectic' and 'In a Bamboo Grove'.
2. The vocabulary words are the ones highlighted in **RED** or in the **APPENDIX** at the end of each document. These are both words from the story as well as literary terms such as 'theme'
3. When studying, a great place to start is the Merriam Webster site. (*Save this website on your browser – it is super-useful.*) <https://www.merriam-webster.com/>
4. For each word, it is important to know:
 - a. Its denotation
 - b. Its possible connotations
 - c. Any synonyms that go with the word
 - d. Any examples that can help illustrate the concept
 - e. Understand the context from the stories it arises from

Here are a few examples of question stems to help you study:

1. *In a complete sentence explain what it means to [vocab word].*
2. *In a sentence or two, explain how [vocab word] can have a negative connotation.*
3. *List two important characteristics of this [vocab word].*
4. *What is the term for [characteristics of the vocab word]?*

And finally, (lucky you) here are the exact instructions you'll see on our little quiz:

Total marks available: 6

Notes:

- Answers are marked on a right/wrong basis. There are no partial marks for partial answers.
- In order to be correct, answers must be accurate.
- When using vocabulary words, they must be spelt correctly.
- When noted, answers **MUST BE** in complete sentences. Fragments will be considered incomplete.