

**vocab lesson 8**—from “The Rainwalkers”

**I. Matching.** Match the word (left) with its definition (right). One of the letters will not be used. Of the letters that you do use, write the part of speech in the blank next to the definition. One part of speech blank will remain blank.

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| ___ 1. mongrel          | A. _____ a paper container for a letter                         |
| ___ 2. disproportionate | B. _____ the main hall of a church                              |
| ___ 3. sleek            | C. _____ hidden or secret                                       |
| ___ 4. docile           | D. _____ lacking symmetry or having disparity                   |
| ___ 5. implore          | E. _____ manageable or submissive                               |
| ___ 6. entice           | F. _____ smooth, shiny, and well-kept                           |
| ___ 7. arcane           | G. _____ prescribed forms of public worship; ritual of religion |
| ___ 8. nave             | H. _____ mutt, or mixed breed                                   |
| ___ 9. liturgy          | J. _____ to wrap up or cover completely                         |
| ___ 10. envelop         | K. _____ to beg   |
|                         | L. _____ to tempt or lure                                       |

**II. Fill in the blank.** Choose from the following list of vocab words to fill in the blanks in the sentences. Each answer is used only once. Change the form of the word if necessary for the sentence.

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**entice    arcane    nave    liturgy    envelop**

21. The fog \_\_\_\_\_ the runway, and because of the low visibility, no planes were allowed to take off until it cleared.
22. A couple of \_\_\_\_\_ wandered into our yard and refused to leave. We fed them and tried to find their owners, but no one claimed them. I guess they've claimed us.
23. A baby's head is \_\_\_\_\_ huge for its body, but everything usually evens out by the end of the second year.
24. I've been to this church so many times that I have memorized the \_\_\_\_\_.  
I know when to kneel and when to stand and when to see “and also with you.”
25. His new car is so \_\_\_\_\_ and shiny that I can see my reflection in any part of it.
26. When I walked into the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church, a quiet feeling of peace came over me.
27. Even though they were angry about the bad call, most of the people in the crowd at the football game were \_\_\_\_\_ and had no intention of rioting.
28. Emma said her sweetest “Please” and \_\_\_\_\_ me for a lollipop.
29. Instead of giving her candy, I \_\_\_\_\_ her with a juicy orange. “Mmm,” I said.
30. The inner workings of the FBI are \_\_\_\_\_ to most normal citizens because we don't have any need to know everything that's going on.

**III. Short questions.** One vocab word will answer each of the following questions. Each word is used once.

31. \_\_\_\_\_ Which word means the same thing as *beseech*?
32. \_\_\_\_\_ Which word implies a position of less power?

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33. \_\_\_\_\_ How does his hair look slicked down with gel?  
34. \_\_\_\_\_ What describes a paycheck of \$10,000 for one day's work?  
35. \_\_\_\_\_ Which word names an animal?  
36. \_\_\_\_\_ What are the shopkeeper's signs meant to do to us?  
37. \_\_\_\_\_ Which word describes the answer to a magician's trick?  
38. \_\_\_\_\_ Through which part of the church does the bride walk?  
39. \_\_\_\_\_ If your pastor follows the same order in the service each week, what has s/he created or what is s/he observing?  
40. \_\_\_\_\_ What does the rain cloud do to make it impossible for us to see the tornado?

**IV.Synonyms and Antonyms.** In the left column, choose the word from this unit that is the same or most nearly the same as the clue. In the right column, choose the word from this unit that is most nearly opposite in meaning to the clue. You will use each word once.

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**SYNONYMS**

41. \_\_\_\_\_ lopsided  
42. \_\_\_\_\_ plead  
43. \_\_\_\_\_ enclose, protect  
44. \_\_\_\_\_ ritual  
45. \_\_\_\_\_ mid-church

**ANTONYMS**

46. \_\_\_\_\_ German Shepherd w/papers  
47. \_\_\_\_\_ public knowledge  
48. \_\_\_\_\_ combative  
49. \_\_\_\_\_ turn (someone) away  
50. \_\_\_\_\_ messed up and lusterless

**V.REACH.** Parts of Speech and Analogies. The answers to 58-60 are not vocab words.

51. Which three words are verbs? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
54. List the four adjectives. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
58. The remaining three words are which part of speech? \_\_\_\_\_
59. All three of the verbs are in what tense or form? \_\_\_\_\_
60. The longest word on the list is an adjective. Write its opposite. \_\_\_\_\_
61. meal : dining room :: liturgy : \_\_\_\_\_
62. up : down :: public : \_\_\_\_\_
63. container : envelope :: wrap : \_\_\_\_\_
64. aggressive : dominant :: meek : \_\_\_\_\_
65. meeting : agenda :: church service : \_\_\_\_\_