

Crucible Vocabulary #2 (Act One, Part 2)

pointy (20) – sharp; painful

partisans (20) – members of party, faction, or cause

calumny (20) – the act of uttering false charges or misrepresentations maliciously calculated to damage another's reputation

titillated (21) – aroused; excited

sidles (21) – moves or turns sideways in a furtive manner

pretense (24) – false show

covenanted (24) – formally enrolled in the church

prodigious (25) – strange; unusual; portentous

canny (25) – clever, shrewd, crafty

exudes (25) – spreads out in all directions

arbitrate (25) – to determine the outcome of a dispute

contiguous (26) – touching along a boundary or at a point

fathom (28) – understand

clap (31) – attack with a lawsuit

defamation (31) – slander; the act of uttering false charges or misrepresentations maliciously calculated to damage another's reputation

tract (32) – a defined area of land

inculcation (34) – teaching and impressing by frequent repetitions or admonitions

licentious (41) – lacking legal or moral restraints

blanched (42) – became ashen or pale

truck (43) – have dealings; trade