

Group 1

Here's an excerpt from a movie. See if you can name the movie, describe the scene, and define the boldface vocabulary words. Check your answers on the following page.



E.C.: Uh, yes, Mr. Berty. Um . . . (*begins reciting lines from Romeo and Juliet*) "O, here will I set up my **everlasting** rest, and shake the **yoke** of **inauspicious** stars from this world-wearied flesh. Eyes, look your last! Arms, take your last embrace! and, lips, O you the doors of breath, seal with a **righteous** kiss a dateless bargain to **engrossing** death!"



Movie: _____

Scene: _____

Everlasting might mean _____

Yoke might mean _____

Inauspicious might mean _____

Righteous might mean _____

Engrossing might mean _____

Hint: "Now, who would like to repeat the last few lines of **iambic pentameter** just to show they were paying attention? Mr. Cullen?"

Solutions

Let's see how you did. Check your answers and write the exact definitions. To help you memorize the vocabulary words, reread the movie excerpt or even act out the scene with a friend.

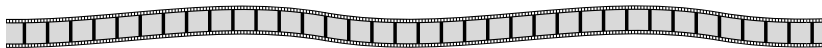


Movie: *The Twilight Saga: New Moon*, Summit Entertainment, 2009

Scene: Mr. Berty notices that Edward (Robert Pattinson) and Bella (Kristen Stewart) are talking while the class watches a DVD of *Romeo and Juliet*, so he asks Edward to repeat the last few lines. Edward surprises Mr. Berty (and the rest of the class) by reciting the lines perfectly.

Inside Scoop: Stephenie Meyer drew inspiration for *New Moon* from Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Vocabulary in the Hint: *Iambic* means using one unstressed syllable followed by one stressed syllable. *Pentameter* refers to a line of poetry with five groups, since *penta-* means five and *meter* refers, in this case, to the rhythm of poetry or music. So *iambic pentameter* is a line of poetry with five pairs of unstressed and stressed syllables. William Shakespeare almost always wrote his plays and poems in iambic pentameter.



Everlasting means *lasting forever*. The opposite of *everlasting* is *temporary*, along with its awesome synonyms *ephemeral*, *evanescent*, *fleeting*, *fugitive*, *impermanent*, *transient*, and *transitory*. That last synonym, *fugitive*, reminds me of the 1993 Harrison Ford movie, *The Fugitive*, in which he is running from the law, moving quickly from place to place, staying in one place only **temporarily**.

Yoke in this case means *burden*. Synonyms: bondage, bonds, chains, domination, enslavement, fetters, hegemony, oppression, servitude, shackles, subjection, subjugation, thrall, tyranny. *Yoke* can also mean *connection* or *harness*, as in the **harness** that **connects** horses to a plow or cart.

Inauspicious means *unlucky*. Synonyms: infelicitous, unfortunate, unpropitious.

Righteous means *moral*. Synonym: virtuous.

Engrossing means *absorbing* or *all-consuming*.