

## Vocab Videos Presents: *The Vocab Film Festival*

### Contest Submission Checklist:

- ✓ My video/photo entry meets the requirements for this month's Festival theme.
- ✓ My video entry is approximately 30 seconds long (*no longer than 45 seconds*).
- ✓ My video and/or photo entry clearly illustrates the meaning of a word from the provided word list (*see next page*).
- ✓ My video submission follows the standard Vocab Videos format and includes:
  - Title card with word + definition below
  - Illustration of word meaning
  - Voiceover of word used in sentence (based on video content)
  - Closing title card with word + definition
- ✓ I've registered and uploaded my entry—don't forget to title, tag, and describe your submission properly!
  - *How to Title Your Submission:* The title of your submission must include both the word you are illustrating and the movie you are parodying. Example title: Sinister | The Black Swan
  - *How to Tag Your Submission:* Tagging your entries will make it easier for your friends to find and watch them! Tags should include the word, movie, month, and your name. Example tagging: consummate, black swan, February, Simon
  - *How to Describe Your Submission:* Use this space to enter a sentence using your vocabulary word in the context of your video/photo. Example description: Nina thought her competitor's motives were sinister; she believed Lily was threatening to steal her role.
- ✓ I've shared my video with family and friends to encourage voting and to support my favorite nonprofit!



**Vocab Film Festival Word List:**

**Accolade:** an award or honor  
**Acumen:** keen insight; shrewdness  
**Aloof:** feeling at a distance; apart  
**Antithesis:** the direct opposite  
**Arcane:** known or understood by very few; mysterious  
**Artful:** slyly crafty or cunning; deceitful  
**Avow:** to say frankly or openly  
**Bewilder:** to confuse or puzzle; perplex  
**Boon:** something to be thankful for; blessing; benefit  
**Castigate:** to criticize or reprimand severely  
**Chastise:** to criticize severely  
**Chide:** to express disapproval of; scold  
**Coalesce:** to grow together; to unite into a whole  
**Connoisseur:** an expert  
**Consummate:** to bring to perfection; fulfill  
**Cosmopolitan:** worldly  
**Culpable:** deserving blame; guilty  
**Defame:** to disgrace; bring dishonor upon  
**Didactic:** intended for instruction  
**Disavow:** to deny responsibility for; disown  
**Disinterested:** unbiased; not influenced by selfish motives  
**Engender:** to produce, cause, or give rise to  
**Extenuate:** to make less serious  
**Facetious:** joking often inappropriately; not meant to be taken seriously  
**Fitful:** recurring irregularly; erratic  
**Remiss:** careless or slow in performing one's duty  
**Rustic:** rural; simple or unsophisticated  
**Salutary:** promoting health; producing a beneficial effect  
**Scintillate:** to emit sparks; to sparkle  
**Sinister:** threatening evil or trouble; wicked  
**Soporific:** causing sleep  
**Spartan:** brave, undaunted  
**Static:** showing little or no change  
**Stymie:** to stand in the way of  
**Sullen:** silent or repressed  
**Sumptuous:** extremely rich or magnificent  
**Surrogate:** a person appointed to act for another; substitute  
**Sycophant:** one who tries to win favor by flattery  
**Tenuous:** lacking a sound basis; weak

**Transcend:** to rise above; exceed  
**Ubiquitous:** existing or being everywhere  
**Vacuous:** empty; stupid  
**Virulent:** extremely poisonous; deadly  
**Vitriolic:** extremely harsh; scathing  
**Wistful:** characterized by sad longing; yearning  
**Credence:** belief as to the truth of something; credibility  
**Depravity:** Moral corruption; wickedness  
**Dissuade:** to advise against something  
**Egregious:** extraordinary in a bad way; blatant  
**Fastidious:** excessively critical or demanding; hard to please  
**Flippant:** lacking proper respect or seriousness  
**Furtive:** done by stealthy means; sly  
**Headstrong:** determined to have one's own way; stubborn  
**Inane:** lacking sense; silly  
**Ineffable:** incapable of being expressed or described in words  
**Insidious:** intended to entrap; stealthily treacherous or deceitful  
**Iridescent:** displaying brilliant colors; shimmering  
**Lackadaisical:** without interest, vigor, or determination; lazy  
**Licentious:** immoral  
**Lurid:** gruesome; horrible  
**Maverick:** an independent individual who does not go along with a group  
**Modicum:** a small portion; limited quantity  
**Multifarious:** having many different parts, elements, forms, etc.; diverse  
**Myriad:** a very great number  
**Nefarious:** extremely wicked or villainous  
**Obsequious:** showing excessive or exaggerated respect or obedience  
**Ostensible:** pretended; apparent  
**Pedestrian:** commonplace; unimaginative  
**Permeate:** to penetrate  
**Phlegmatic:** unemotional; sluggish  
**Polemical:** involving argument or controversy  
**Presumptuous:** overstepping bounds; bold  
**Protract:** to draw out or lengthen; prolong  
**Rarefied:** belonging to an exclusive group; select  
**Raze:** to tear down  
**Fetter:** to confine; restrain

**Fortuitous:** happening by chance, accidental; lucky  
**Hedonism:** the belief that pleasure is the highest good  
**Impoverished:** reduced to poverty; deprived of strength, vitality, creativeness  
**Indolent:** lazy  
**Insuperable:** incapable of being passed over; impossible to overcome  
**Irrascible:** easily provoked to anger; very irritable  
**Parsimony:** stinginess; being careful with money  
**Pensive:** deeply thoughtful  
**Perfunctory:** done routinely and with little interest or care  
**Pique:** to excite or provoke; arouse  
**Ponderous:** heavy; massive  
**Proclivity:** a natural inclination or tendency  
**Quandary:** a state of uncertainty; dilemma  
**Quixotic:** extravagantly chivalrous or romantic; impractical  
**Reprove:** to gently scold or correct  
**Resplendent:** shining brilliantly; gleaming; splendid  
**Sacrosanct:** extremely sacred or holy  
**Sanctimony:** pretended or hypocritical religious devotion  
**Strident:** making or having a harsh sound; piercing  
**Succumb:** to give way to superior force; yield  
**Taciturn:** inclined to silence; saying very little  
**Trepidation:** A state of alarm or dread; apprehension  
**Truncate:** to cut short  
**Upbraid:** to criticize severely; find fault with