**A Raisin in the Sun Vocabulary**

**Below are the vocabulary words from the text which you will be responsible for knowing for the unit test**. Match the vocabulary words to their definitions. If there are words for which you cannot figure out the definition by process of elimination, look them up in a dictionary.

**Act One Scene One**

1. undistinguished \_\_\_\_\_ A. suggested plan

2. exasperated \_\_\_\_\_ B. with violence or fury

3. viciously \_\_\_\_\_\_ C. stealthily; expressive of hidden motives

4. vindicated \_\_\_\_\_ D. useless

5. proposition \_\_\_\_\_\_ E. common; nothing special

6. vengeance \_\_\_\_\_\_ F. irritated; provoked; irked

7. tentatively \_\_\_\_\_\_ G. ruler who exercises power in a harsh, cruel manner

8. furtively \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ H. violently; maliciously

9. futile \_\_\_\_\_\_ I. cleared of accusation; blame, suspicion or doubt

10. tyrant \_\_\_\_\_\_ J. uncertainly

**Act One Scene Two**

11. mutilated \_\_\_\_\_ A. unsuitably; improperly

12. insinuatingly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ B. "religion" of those who don't believe in God and/or are

uncivilized

13. haphazardly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ C. looking pitiful, desperate or hopeless

14. inappropriately \_\_\_\_\_\_ D. maimed; damaged

15. assimilationism \_\_\_\_\_\_ E. belief that minority cultures should dissolve into

a dominant culture

16. heathenism \_\_\_\_\_\_ F. with more meaning than the spoken word; implying

17. forlornly \_\_\_\_\_ G. without care; characterized by chance

**Act Two Scene One**

18. coquettishly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ A. tyrannical

19. arrogant \_\_\_\_\_ B. in a manner using statements or implications opposite to

the underlying meaning

20. eccentric \_\_\_\_\_ C. different from the established norm, model or rule

21. oppressive \_\_\_\_\_\_ D. threateningly

22. cliche \_\_\_\_\_\_ E. sorrowfully

23. sarcastically \_\_\_\_\_\_ F. overbearingly proud; haughty

24. plaintively \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ G. in a manner befitting a woman who flirts with men

25. menacingly \_\_\_\_\_\_ H. trite or over used expression or idea

**Act Two Scenes Two and Three**

26. presumably \_\_\_\_\_\_ A. some new information; news

27. rebuffs \_\_\_\_\_\_ B. having unrestrained high spirits; being overjoyed

28. revelation \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ C. probably; reasonably supposed

29. desperation \_\_\_\_\_\_ D. good naturedly

30. exuberance \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E. laughably ridiculous

31. amiably \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ F. being driven to take almost any risk as a last resort

32. ludicrous \_\_\_\_\_\_ G. bluntly refuses

**Act Three**

33. ominous \_\_\_\_\_\_ A. shaped; made

34. despair \_\_\_\_\_\_ B. long speech or talk made by one person

35. plunder \_\_\_\_\_\_ C. inscription on a tombstone; summary of a deceased

person's life

36. wrought \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ D. menacing; threatening

37. monologue \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ E. hopelessness

38. penetrated \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ F. among; in the midst of

39. epitaph \_\_\_\_\_\_ G. to rob of goods by force; loot

40. amid \_\_\_\_\_\_ H. pierced; affected; diffused