

# Vocabulary Study

## SELF-ASSESSMENT OF WORD MEANING

**A. Directions:** As your teacher reads each sentence, listen for the boldfaced word and clues to its possible meaning.

- The writer fears that his work will receive no praise—only **censure**.  
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- The small sum of money that he receives for his efforts is little **recompense** indeed.  
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- The words in the English language are so **copious** that they cannot be counted.  
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- The job of **expunging** many passages is difficult; after all, he would like to keep everything.  
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- He dreams that his book will enjoy **longevity**, but he fears that it may be a short-lived work.  
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- The book is not only a **repository** of great writing, but is also a storage place of great thinking.  
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**B. Directions:** To determine how well you understand each vocabulary word, fill in the chart. As you read the selection, revise your definitions as needed.

Vocabulary Word	New	Seen Before	Can Use in a Sentence	Possible Meanings
1. censure				
2. recompense				
3. copious				
4. expunging				
5. longevity				
6. repository				