

EVIDENCE OF PROGRESS /THE CONDITION OF ENGLAND

COPY MASTER

Vocabulary Study

WORDS IN CONTEXT

Directions: As your teacher reads each item, listen for the boldfaced word. Discuss possible meanings of the word, and write on the chart what you think the word means. After reading “Evidence of Progress” and “The Condition of England,” confirm or adjust your definitions.

- Poor financial management can only **debase** the value of our money.
- It is the government’s duty to find the most **lucrative** way of investing the people’s money.
- She met my gaze steadily and smiled; her untroubled **countenance** calmed my fears.
- He notes the workers’ **stoicism**; his admiration for their silent endurance is immense.
- The fortune teller did **prophecy** that the client will soon be married.

Vocabulary Word	Predicted Meaning	Meaning in Selection
1. debase		
2. lucrative		
3. countenance		
4. stoicism		
5. prophecy		