

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 “Six Feet of the Country,” confirm or adjust your definitions.

1. With her **attenuated** figure, the fashion model looked like a sliver compared to women of normal weight.
2. In **emulation** of her favorite celebrity, Zora wears jeans with long fringe on the sides.
3. Alfons is not **enamored** of listening to small talk; he feels it is boring and a waste of time.
4. Jan began to **expostulate** with the sales clerk. She needed to convince him that the new lawnmower was broken.
5. With nothing to do but watch the emergency team do their job, we felt **extraneous**.
6. In the new play, the actress worked hard to **imbue** her character with passion.
7. A few days after the **interment** of the body, a stone marker was placed on the grave.
8. Yelena is chatty, but Byron is **laconic**; if you ask him a question, he will usually answer in the fewest possible words.

Vocabulary Word	Predicted Meaning	Meaning in Selection
1. attenuated		
2. emulation		
3. enamored		
4. expostulate		
5. extraneous		
6. imbue		
7. interment		
8. laconic		