

AP E11 – Vocabulary 14 - Academic Verbs & Tone Words

avaricious - having or showing an extreme greed for wealth or material gain

equitable - characterized by equity or fairness; just and right; reasonable

poignant - keenly distressing to the feelings; affecting or moving the emotions

jubilant - showing great joy, satisfaction, rejoicing; triumph

flippant - frivolously disrespectful and shallow; not showing a serious attitude

mournful - feeling, expressing, or including sadness, regret, or grief

quarrelsome - inclined to argue and fight; to be contentious

savvy - knowledgeable; having common sense and good judgment

incredulous – in disbelief, skeptical, unsure of

capricious – indicative of a sudden or unpredictable change; erratic in mood and behavior

contest - to oppose an action, decision, or theory as mistaken or wrong

concern - relating to; be about; cause anxiety; to worry

prevaricate - deliberately create a false impression; to be evasive or mislead

characterize - describing the nature or the quality of someone or something

chronicle - to record in a factual and detailed way.

condescend - to show feelings of superiority; to patronize

enumerate - to name or mention, one by one, as if counting

contend - to assert something as a position in an argument

trivialize – to make something seem less important, significant, or complex than it really is

diminish – to make someone or something seem less impressive or valuable