

## **AP E11 – Vocabulary Quiz 15 – Academic Verbs and Tone words**

**Sardonic** – Mocking, bitter, scornful, cynical

**Aggravated** - Made more serious by circumstances; annoyed or irritated

**Inept** - Lacking skill or ability

**Mournful** - Feeling, expressing, or including sadness, regret, or grief

**Bombastic** - Pretentious inflated language that holds little meaning

**Fastidious** - Very attentive and concerned with accuracy and detail

**Detached** - To be disconnected or aloof; disinterested or impartial

**Impudent** - Not showing due respect; contemptuously disregarding other people

**Erudite** - Having or showing great knowledge or learning

**Kitschy** - Art, objects, or design that is considered to be in poor taste

**Spur** – Inciting, motivating, and stimulating an action; a goad to action; to urge forward

**Daunt** - To dishearten or intimidate; to create apprehension

**Harbor** - To conceal or hide; to keep or hold in the mind

**Instill** - Firmly establishing an idea or attitude

**Dissuade** - To convince someone not to take action

**Conduct** (verb) - To direct in action or course; to manage or carry out in a certain way

**Bemuse** – To bewilder and confuse

**Engender** - To cause or give rise to a feeling, situation, or condition

**Asseverate** – To declare earnestly or solemnly; affirm positively

**Confound** - Causing surprise or confusion by acting against expectations