

Vocabulary for Charles Dickens' *Great Expectations*

1. explicit – adj. fully and clearly expressed
2. prodigious – adj. extraordinary in size, wondrous
3. vicarious – adj., performed, exercised, received or suffered in place of another
4. ravenous – adj. extremely hungry
5. disconsolate – adj. hopelessly unhappy
6. commiserate - v. to feel or express sympathy
7. larceny - n. theft
8. consternation – n. a sudden, alarming amazement or dread that results in utter confusion; dismay.
9. gloat – v. to look at with excessive satisfaction
10. abhorrence n. a feeling of extreme repugnance or aversion
11. appall – v. to fill or overcome with horror, consternation or fear
12. omnipotent – adj. all powerful
13. imperious – adj. domineering and haughty manner
14. desolation – n. state of aloneness
15. execrate – v. to detest, to damn, to curse