

Word Within the Word List #37

• thanatos	(death)	thanatopsis	• spir	(breathe)	suspuration
• opia	(sight)	thanatopsis	• syn	(together)	synoptic
• vac	(empty)	vacuous	• man	(hand)	legerdemain
• luc	(light)	lucubration	• ex	(out)	ex cathedra
• ize	(make)	lionize	• ism	(system)	nepotism
• sed	(sit)	assiduous, sedentary	• sub	(under)	subterfuge
• fug	(flee)	subterfuge	• ine	(nature of)	saturnine
• pusill	(small)	pusillanimous	• anim	(mind)	pusillanimous
• nepo	(nephew)	nepotism	• bon	(good)	bon vivant
• viv	(life)	bon vivant	• ous	(full of)	sedulous, vacuous

1. **thanatopsis** (view of death) We thoughtfully read the introvert's poetic thanatopsis.
2. **vacuous** (stupidly empty of ideas) See the vacuous expression on his uninformed face.
3. **lucubration** (late studying) His midnight lucubrations by candlelight tired him.
4. **ex cathedra** (from the throne) The kind pronounced, ex cathedra, his opinion.
5. **legerdemain** (sleight of hand) His verbal legerdemain confused those who didn't listen.
6. **suspuration** (deep sigh) We endured his mournful suspurations over Lulu.
7. **nepotism** (favoritism to relatives) Graft and nepotism weakened the government.
8. **synoptic** (general in view) Read the synoptic gospels; view the synoptic chart.
9. **lionize** (treat as a celebrity) Upon her return to the city, she was lionized by the joyful crowd.
10. **assiduous** (persevering) His assiduous efforts to balance the budget finally paid off.
11. **subterfuge** (evasive dodge) He ducked a question with a clever subterfuge.
12. **bon vivant** (indulger in luxury) The wealthy bon vivant lived the good life in Hawaii.
13. **saturnine** (gloomy and remote) Her saturnine personality caused her to lose friends.
14. **sedentary** (sitting) Flagpole sitting is a notably sedentary occupation.
15. **pusillanimous** (small-minded) The snub at the losing team was a low, pusillanimous act.