

ACT Words of the Week

quasi - (kwá' zi)

Definition: Imitation of, but not authentic (adj.)

Use: Hi misuse of several multi syllabic words marked him as **quasi**-intellectual.

nemesis - (nem' i sis)

Definition: An unbeatable rival (noun) OR The Greek goddess of vengeance (noun)

Use #1: The Grandville Bulldogs have been our football **nemesis** for many years now.

Use #2: The defense attorney attacked the case almost as if she were **Nemesis**, intent upon proving guilt!

vignette - (vin yet')

Definition: A very brief sketch or description (noun)

Derivatives: vignetted, vignetting, vignettes

Use: Trish used a **vignette** very effectively to set the stage for the first chapter of her novel.

rapport - (ra por')

Definition: A good relationship or bond (noun)

Use: Once he established **rapport** with the natives, the work of the Peace Corps volunteer went smoothly.

