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**Word of the Day** – February 20015

Class#: \_\_\_\_\_

1. **consternation** – noun - shocked dismay; a feeling of alarm and confusion often caused by something unexpected.

Consternation was observed on the faces of New Yorkers just after the Twin Towers fell to the ground on September 11, 2001.

2. **threshold** – noun – an entrance, beginning place, doorway, or liminal moment

Threshold moments are like graduation ceremonies, where a student has one foot in the past, and one in the future – life experiences in what has already been, and what is yet possible.

3. **plagiarism** – noun – copying another person's ideas or words and claiming it to be original; stealing another person's work or ideas.

In order to avoid plagiarism, students need to learn to paraphrase another person's words, and then how to give proper credit to their sources of information.

4. **tariff** – noun – a duty, or tax imposed by a government on imported or exported goods.

The USA wants to impose enough tariffs to protect products made in the United States, but we don't want to impose so many import and export taxes that we discourage free trade.

5. **transition** –

6. **embargo**

7. **soliloquy**

8. **denominator**

9. congruent

10. erosion

11. text

12. negligible

13. replica

14. deluge

15. colleague

16. contingent

17. conspire