

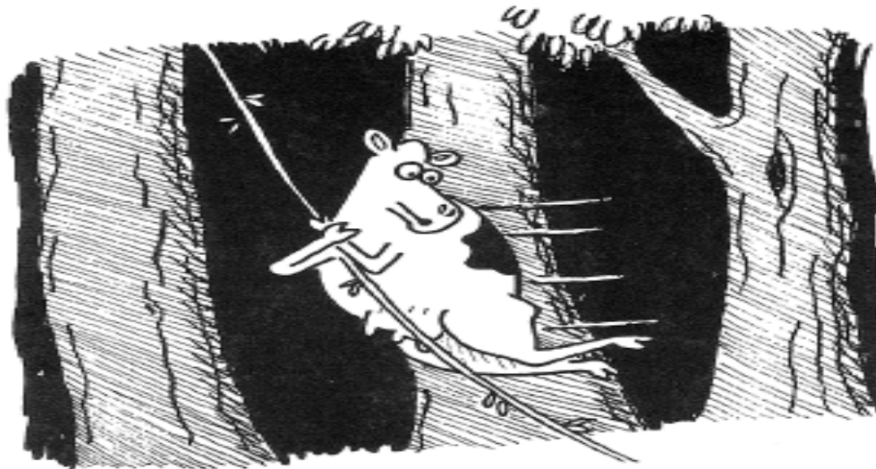
***English 10***  
***Vocab 16***

## **BOVINE**

(BOH vyne) *adj.*

of, relating to, or resembling an animal such as an ox, cow or buffalo; solid; dull

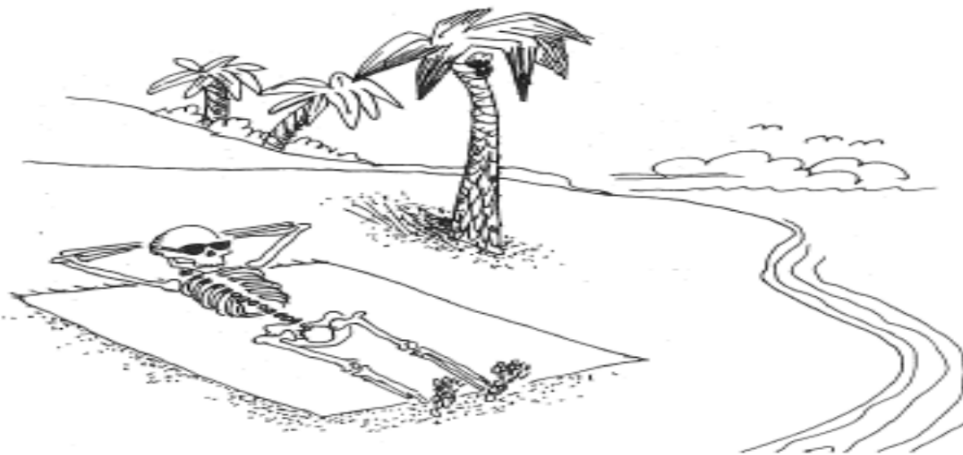
Link: VINE



*“A BOVINE on a VINE.”*

- The BOVINE features of the man scared the children.
- Sue came to the party and sat in the corner reading a book as she BOVINELY ignored all the guests.
- The BOVINITY of Michael’s personality changed to that of zestful enthusiasm only when the subject of beetles and cockroaches came up.

**SUPINE**  
(soo PYNE) *adj.*  
lying on the back with the face  
turned upward; inclined  
Link: **SPINE**



*"Lying SUPINE on the SPINE."*

- ❑ When the investigators arrived, the body was still SUPINE in the middle of the living room floor.
- ❑ The chiropractor had Jill lie in a SUPINE position so he could adjust her neck.
- ❑ The referee stopped the fight when the boxer lay on the mat in a SUPINE position and could not get up.

**ASININE**

(AS ih nine) *adj.*

silly; stupid

Link: **ASS OF MINE**



*"This ASS OF MINE is ASININE."*

- My sister gave up working in a mental hospital because she could no longer deal with ASININE behavior.
- Adam is usually a nice guy, but sometimes he is so ASININE no one can stand him.
- The phone solicitor asked so many ASININE questions that I finally hung up.

**MARITIME**  
(mar ih TYME) *adj.*  
near the sea; concerning with  
shipping or navigation  
Link: **MERRY TIME**



*“MARITIME sailors having a  
MERRY TIME.”*

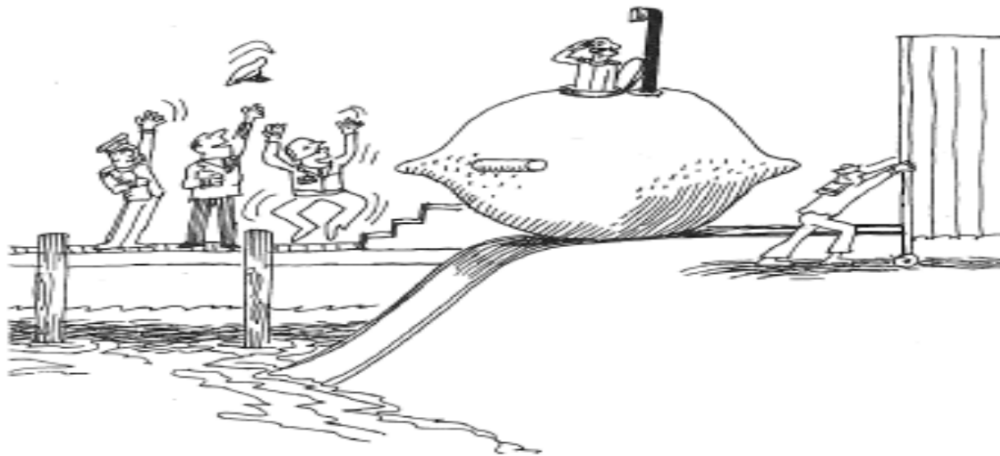
- While in our nation’s capitol, we visited the MARITIME War Museum.
- Rick’s desire is to become a MARITIME lawyer.
- Jacksonville is a MARITIME city in Florida.

## **SUBLIME**

(suh BLYME) *adj.*

impressive; inspiring awe; majestic

Link: **SUB LIME**



*"The Navy's new SUB LIME  
was SUBLIME."*

- ❑ The lecturer had something to offer each of his listeners; he was a master of moving his speech from the ridiculous to the SUBLIME.
- ❑ The SUBLIME melody worked itself throughout the entire musical.
- ❑ The priest's SUBLIME voice made him the object of admiration in his parish.

**SERENE**  
(se REEN) *adj.*  
clear; calm; tranquil  
Link: **SCENE**



*"Teachers often daydream  
of a SERENE SCENE."*

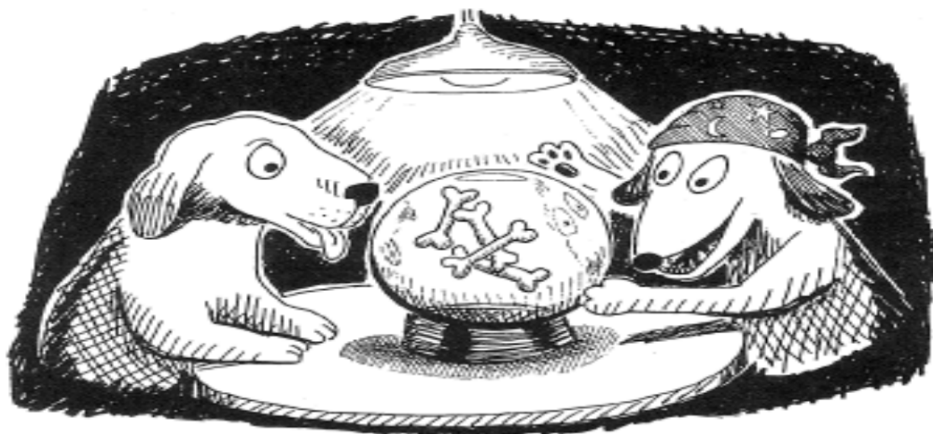
- The Mona Lisa has a SERENE smile.
- Game day dawned with a SERENE sky.
- The family goes to the beach whenever they need SERENITY.

## **FOREBODE**

(for BODE) *v.*

to predict or foretell

Link: **FOUR BONES**



*“The gypsy FOREBODED FOUR BONES  
in Rex’s future.”*

- ❑ In ancient Greece it was believed that a sage could FOREBODE the future.
- ❑ A FOREBODING rain began working its way toward us. (A FOREBODING is the feeling that something is about to happen.)
- ❑ The policeman’s purple face and clenched fists FOREBODE his anger.



**BOMBASTIC**  
(bom BAS tik) *adj.*  
high sounding; use of language  
without much real meaning  
Link: **BOMBS IN A BASKET**



*"The President's speech was so BOMBASTIC, he was spitting BOMBS IN A BASKET."*

- Politicians are often times full of BOMBAST and bluster.
- Take the BOMBAST away from the lawyer's court arguments, and you would have little but outright lies.
- Some people debate by shouting down their opponents with BOMBASTIC language.

## WINNOW

(WIN oh) *v.*

to rid of undesirable parts

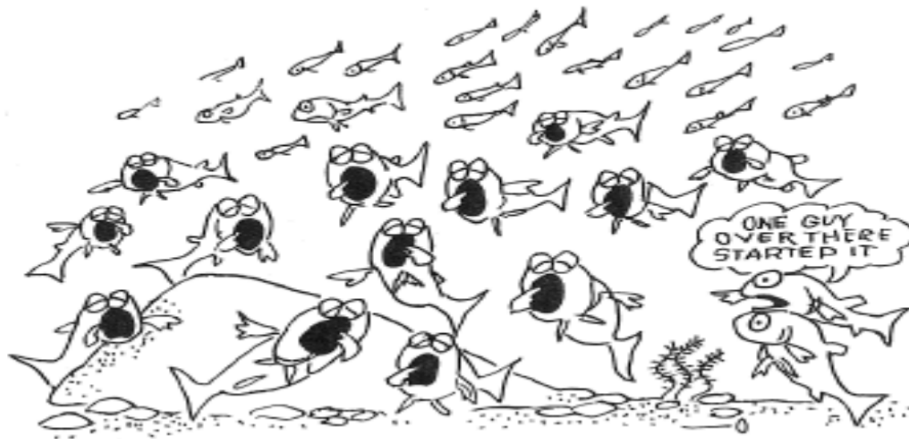
Link: MINNOW



*"WINNOWING MINNOWS."*

- ❑ The military attempts to WINNOW out those who are not officer material.
- ❑ When the children were allowed to choose their own groups, a natural WINNOWING occurred.
- ❑ The wild dogs WINNOWED the offal trying to get some nutrition.

**SPAWN**  
(spahn) *v.*  
to give rise to; to produce  
in large numbers  
Link: **YAWN**



*"A SPAWNED YAWN."*

- Salmon always return to their native streams at SPAWNING time.
- Joe's negative outlook SPAWNED hard feelings in his teammates.
- The flu outbreak SPAWNED major attendance problems at the school.