

***The Scarlet Letter* Vocabulary**

Intro, Chapters 1-3, Chapters 4-5

Intro

1. imbue – v. fill the mind of; inspire
2. inclement – adj. rough or stormy; severe

Chapter 1

1. edifice – n. a building, especially a large or impressive one, such as a cathedral or palace
2. inauspicious – adj. with signs of failure; unfavorable; unlucky

Chapter 2

1. abash – v. embarrass and confuse; disconcert
2. ignominy – n. public shame and disgrace; dishonor

Chapter 3

1. imperceptible – adj. that cannot be perceived or felt; very slight, gradual, or subtle
2. eloquence – n. flow of speech that has grace and force

Chapter 4

1. amenable – adj. open to influence or suggestion
2. efficacy – n. power to produce the effect wanted

Chapter 5

1. commiserate – v. feel or express sorrow for another's suffering
2. succor – v. help or aid
3. insidious – adj. seeking to entrap or ensnare; crafty

