

Pocket Book

Meaning of Words to Impress

allegory	a story, play, or picture, or other work in which the characters and events represent particular qualities or ideas, related to morals, religion, or politics
dichotomy	a difference between two completely opposite ideas or things
didactic	intended to teach people a moral lesson
ennui	a feeling of being bored and mentally tired caused by having nothing interesting or exciting to do
meme	an idea, behavior, or style that spreads from person to person within a culture
narrative	art that represents events taking place over time compressed into a single image that implies something that has already happened or is about to take place
oeuvre	the complete works of a writer, painter, or other artist
palimpsest	a manuscript page from a scroll or book from which the text has been scraped or washed off and which can be used again
paradigm	a model of something, or a very clear and typical example of something
prosaic	without interest, imagination, and excitement
recherché	very unusual, not generally known about, and chosen with great care in order to make people admire your knowledge or style
resonance	richness or significance, especially in evoking an association or strong emotion
solecism	any mistake, incongruity, or absurdity
trope	something such as an idea, phrase, or image that is often used in a particular artist's work or in a particular type of art
vapid	showing no intelligence or imagination