

Glossary Assignment: Assigned 9/8/14; Due: weekly, 15 times this semester

Throughout the semester, we will place a great deal of importance on defining words, both terminology that will help us describe, analyze, and discuss our readings and vocabulary that will help us better understand the material we encounter. To complete this assignment, you will choose a word and write a blog post on your ePortfolio in which you do the following:

- Include the word in the subject line of the post
- In the post, provide the word and its part of speech (noun, verb, adjective, etc)
- define it—make sure you're using the most appropriate definition, which might not be the first one
- cite the source of your definition—I recommend [Merriam-Webster's dictionary](#), although you might need to consult a different kind of dictionary
- identify where you encountered the word (specify the specific page of a particular reading, date of the class discussion, title of the handout, etc) and quote the passage (or paraphrase if you cannot directly quote someone's speech)
- explain what you understand about the passage now that you understand the word
- (optional) include links and images that help your classmates understand the word or the context
- choose the category Glossary in the right sidebar when you write a new post
- add tags to your post that reflect the topic you wrote about. You might include a tag based on the source of the word, the part of speech, etc

These posts will contribute to a shared glossary for our course, available from the blog menu. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me, or to ask me in class.