AP Finder’s Words

Record challenging vocabulary from texts you read for Advanced Placement English Literature and Composition. Once lists have been turned in, collect them in the vocabulary section of your binder. Entries must include: the vocabulary, where it was found, page #, context (sentence the word was found in), definition, connotation (negative or positive), synonyms, antonyms, and related words. All entries should be typed.

Example:

1. **Hegemony**- found in *Playing in the Dark* on page x (of preface)

   Context: I cannot rely on these metaphorical shortcuts because I am a black writer struggling with a through a language that can powerfully evoke and enforce hidden signs of racial superiority, cultural hegemony, and dismissive “othering” of people and language which are by no means marginal or already and completely known and knowable in my work.

   Definition: Leadership or predominant influence exercised by one nation over others, as in a confederation

   Connotation: Negative

   Synonyms: administration, authority, command, conduction, control, conveyance, direction, directorship, domination, foresight, influence, initiative, management, power, preeminence, primacy, skill, superiority, supremacy, sway

   Antonyms: inefficiency, subservience, surrender, weakness, yielding

   Related Words: hegemonies, hegemonic