

## Words and Explanations

**apathy** (AP uh thee) Apathy is a lack of interest in or enthusiasm about anything.

**atone** (uh TOHN) When you atone for something that you did wrong, you do something to make up for it.

**brazenly** (BRAY zuhn lee) When you do something brazenly, you do it openly even though you know it's wrong.

**garrulous** (GAR uh luhs) Garrulous people talk a lot, especially about unimportant things.

**ignominiously** (IHG nuh MIHN ee uhs lee) If you behave ignominiously, you do something that is shameful and disgraceful.

**incongruous** (ihn KONG gru uhs) If something is incongruous, it seems strange because it is out of place.

**myriad** (MIHR ee uhd) If you have myriad things, you have a very large number of them.

**stymie** (STY mee) If you are stymied by something, you just don't know what to do about it.

**tacit** (TAS iht) Something that is tacit is understood or agreed upon without having to talk about it.

**taciturn** (TAS uh turn) Taciturn people may seem unfriendly because they don't talk very much.

*“If you wish to know the mind of a man, listen to his words.”*

—Johann Wolfgang von Goethe