Cosette Vocabulary

1. Abyss a deep or bottomless pit
2. Adroit cleverly skilled or resourceful
3. Affluent wealthy, prosperous
4. Amalgamating to mix or merge so as to make a combination; blend; unite, combine
5. Apocalypse a cataclysmic event; end of days, ending of the world or revelation about

something epic and important, previously kept hidden

1. Avail to use to one’s advantage
2. Capote a long cloak with a hood
3. Casque a helmet, especially an ornate visor-less headpiece of the 16th century
4. Chilblains an inflammation of the hands and feet caused by exposure to cold and

moisture

1. Chimerical produced by a wildly fanciful imagination
2. Cistern an artificial reservoir for storing liquids
3. Clamber to climb awkwardly
4. Clemency mercy
5. Cloister a covered walk, especially in a religious institution, having an open

Arcade or colonnade usually opening into a courtyard

1. Conjecture reasoning that involves the formation of conclusions from incomplete

evidence

1. Conventuals those belonging to a convent, nuns
2. Coruscations sudden brief flashes of light
3. Countenance the appearance of a person’s face; a person’s expression
4. Cudgel a short, thick stick or club used as a weapon
5. Cuirass defensive armor for torso, a breastplate and backplate
6. Defray to pay the expenses
7. Deign to condescend; to feel superior
8. Despoil destroy and strip of its possession
9. Destitution poor enough to need help from others
10. Diffuse to spread or scatter freely or widely
11. Disdain lack of respect accompanied by a feeling of intense dislike
12. Enigmatic perplexing, mysterious
13. Epoch a period of time in history or a person’s life, typically one marked by

notable events or particular characteristics

1. Expiation the act of atoning for sin or wrongdoing
2. Extricate to free or remove from entanglement
3. Grotesque odd or unnatural shape, appearance, or character; fantastically ugly or

absurd; animalistic behavior

1. Habituates to accustom a person or animal to become familiar with a particular place

or situation

1. Harangue noisy, attacking speech
2. Hovel a small, very humble dwelling or house
3. Imped interfere with progress
4. Imprecation curse
5. Indefatigable incapable of being tired out
6. Indictment a charge for a crime or offense
7. Ineffable incapable of being expressed or described in words; inexpressible
8. Inhumed buried, as in a grave
9. Insipid without distinctive or interesting qualities
10. Luminous softly bright or radiant
11. Malefactor one who commits an offense against the law
12. Pallid pale; faint or deficient in color, pale
13. Pell-mell disorderly, confused, crowded
14. Penitent regretful for one’s sins or mistakes; one who is sorry for wrongdoing
15. Preordination being determined in advance
16. Procure to obtain or get by effort
17. Quay dock, wharf
18. Rapine to pillage, plunder, or the seizing and caring of other people’s property

by force

1. Regnant exercising authority, rule, or influence
2. Restitution reparation made by giving an equivalent or compensation for a loss
3. Reverie a state of dreamy meditation or fanciful musing; a daydream
4. Roguish knavish or rascally
5. Sanctimonious making a hypocritical show of piety or righteousness
6. Scrutinize to examine in detail with careful or critical attention
7. Sepulchral suited to or suggestive of a grave or burial; not a dug grave;

a cave, cut in rock; small room or monument

1. Sinister evil; suggesting or threatening evil
2. Sublime to elevate humanity to a spiritual state
3. Taciturn inclined to silence; reserved in speech; reluctant to join in conversation
4. Tenement poorly built, overcrowded housing where many immigrants and poor

People live

1. Transfiguration change in form or appearance
2. Truncated shortened by cutting off a part; cut short
3. Tumultuous marked by disturbance or uproar
4. Vehemently marked by extreme intensity of emotions or convictions
5. Volition the act of making a choice or to resolve