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## *Research Project*

The Gift of the Magi: Vestibule- a passage, hall, or antechamber between the outer door and the interior parts of a house.

The Gift of the Magi: Subsiding- to sink to a low or lower level.

The Gift of the Magi: Pier Glass- a tall mirror, often full-length, intended to be set between windows.

The Gift of the Magi: Chaste- Pure in style; not excessively ornamented; simple.

*Dictionary.com*. Dictionary.com, n.d. Web. 31 Oct. 2012. <<http://dictionary.reference.com/>>.

The Gift of the Magi: Meretricious- of or relating to a prostitute: having the nature of prostitution or falsely attractive.

The Gift of the Magi: Truant- one who shirks duty; especially: one who stays out of school without permission or resembling or a characteristic of a truant.

The Most Dangerous Game: Palpable- Capable of being touched or felt or easily perceptible by the mind.

The Most Dangerous Game: Gargoyle- A spout in the form of a grotesque human or animal figure projecting from a roof gutter to throw rainwater clear of a building or a person with an ugly face.

*Merriam-Webster*. Merriam-Webster, n.d. Web. 03 Nov. 2012. <<http://www.merriam-webster.com/>>.

The Most Dangerous Game: Astrakhan- The curly, wavy wool of young lambs from Astrakhan.

The Most Dangerous Game: Cosmopolite- A less common word for cosmopolitan or an animal or plant that occurs in most parts of the world.

The Most Dangerous Game: Crimea- A region and peninsula of southern Ukraine on the Black Sea and Sea of Azov.

The Most Dangerous Game: Lascars- An east Indian sailor, army servant, or artillery trooper.

"Dictionary, Encyclopedia and Thesaurus." *The Free Dictionary*. Farlex, n.d. Web. 03 Nov. 2012. <<http://www.thefreedictionary.com/>>.

The Most Dangerous Game: Tartar- A person regarded as ferocious or violent.

The Necklace: Rueful- To express sorrow or regret.

The Necklace: Dowry- Is the property and wealth a women brings to a marriage in some cultures or in historic times, or a natural talent or gift.

The Necklace: Resplendent- Is full of splendor or is dazzling.

"Dictionary Definitions You Can Understand - YourDictionary." *Dictionary Definitions You Can Understand - YourDictionary*. N.p., n.d. Web. 03 Nov. 2012. <<http://www.yourdictionary.com/>>.

The cite that I like the best is [www.dictionary.com](http://www.dictionary.com) because it gives you many different definitions and doesn't have ads that pop up on your screen every 2 minutes. [www.dictionary.com](http://www.dictionary.com) also has example sentences so if you don't understand how a word is used then it will show it to you in a sentence.

A sniper is a highly trained marksman who operates alone or in a pair who maintains close visual contact with the enemy and engages targets from concealed positions or physical distances exceeding the detection capabilities of the enemy personnel without being detected. Sniper typically have highly selective and specialized training and use high-precision rifles.

"Sniper." *Wikipedia*. Wikimedia Foundation, 11 Jan. 2012. Web. 04 Nov. 2012. <<http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Sniper>>.

Soldiers in front-line trenches suffered from enemy snipers. These men were usually specially trained marksmen that had rifles with telescopic sights. German snipers did not normally work from their own trenches. The main strategy was to creep out at dawn into no-man's land and remain there all day. Wearing camouflaged clothing and using the cover of a fake tree, they waited for a British soldier to pop his head above the parapet. A common trick was to send up a kite with English writing on it. Anyone who raised his head to read it was shot.

"Spartacus Educational." *Spartacus Educational*. N.p., n.d. Web. 04 Nov. 2012. <<http://www.spartacus.schoolnet.co.uk/FWWsnipers.htm>>.

Sniper had to do a lot of training because when they shoot they have many variables to think about before they shoot. They have wind speed, wind direction, range, target movement, mirage, light source, temperature, and barometric pressure. True snipers work for the military and law enforcement agencies.

"How Military Snipers Work." *HowStuffWorks*. N.p., n.d. Web. 04 Nov. 2012. <<http://science.howstuffworks.com/sniper.htm>>.

Cossacks from the Most Dangerous Game: Cossacks are Russian people. They are a member of a people dwelling in the northern hinterlands of the Black and Caspian Seas. They had a tradition of independence and finally received privileges from The Russian government in return for military services.

"Search." *Encyclopedia Britannica Online*. Encyclopedia Britannica, n.d. Web. 04 Nov. 2012.  
<<http://www.britannica.com/search?query=cossacks>>.

Cossacks from the Most Dangerous Game: They are peasant-soldiers in Ukraine and in several regions of Russia who, until 1918, held certain privileges in return for rendering military service.

*Infoplease*. Infoplease, n.d. Web. 04 Nov. 2012.  
<<http://www.infoplease.com/encyclopedia/history/cossacks.html>>.

The different sites are both credible and have some different information. I like infoplease because it gives you more information. It also gives you articles on the information you are looking for. On Britannica there are advertisings that come up and interrupt you while you are reading the information.

"The Pacific Northwest Tree Octopus." *Zapato Productions Intradimensional*. N.p., n.d. Web. 05 Nov. 2012. <<http://zapatopi.net/treeoctopus/faq.html>>. This website is fake because it doesn't have any contact information. It also doesn't say who owns the website.

"RYT Hospital-Dwayne Medical Center. All the Miracles of Modern Medicine.â €." *RYT Hospital-Dwayne Medical Center. All the Miracles of Modern Medicine.â €*. N.p., n.d. Web. 05 Nov. 2012. <<http://www.rythospital.com/2011/>>.

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"MoonBeam Enterprises - DreamWeaver Studios." *MoonBeam Enterprises - DreamWeaver Studios*. N.p., n.d. Web. 05 Nov. 2012.  
<<http://www.dreamweaverstudios.com/moonbeam/moon.htm>>.

This website is fake because there is no contact information. It doesn't make sense because you can't have a vacation on the moon.

1. How do I access databases? E Library, one search
2. Why would I need a database? They are more reliable than using google search.
3. What are the advantages of using databases? Reliable information
4. What is one reason I may need a database in the next four years? To use it for projects.