**SAT Vocabulary Words – Week 4**

Inscrutable (adj) - difficult to fathom or understand; impenetrable

Reticent (adj) - inclined to keep one’s thoughts, feelings, and personal affairs to oneself

Staid (adj) - unemotional; serious ; old fashioned

Arcane (adj) - known or understood by only a few

Assimilate(v) - incorporated and absorbed into the mind; made similar

Autonomy (n) - independence; self-determination; self-government or the right of

self-government

Cosmopolitan (adj) -familiar and at ease in many different countries and cultures.

*His knowledge of French and Spanish makes him genuinely cosmopolitan.*

Derivative (n) - a by-product ; something that comes from something else

*Tofu is one of many soybean derivatives.*

Esoteric (adj) - intended for or understood by only a particular group (philosophical)

*The Socrates Club held many esoteric philosophical debates.*

Gaffe (n) - a clumsy social error; a faux pas

\* Check out wordsinasentence.com to find sentences that demonstrate meaning.