**Omelas Vocabulary**

**decorous**: in keeping with good taste and propriety; polite and restrained.

**lithe**: (especially of a person's body) thin, supple, and graceful.

**restive**: (of a person) unable to keep still or silent and becoming increasingly difficult to control, especially because of impatience, dissatisfaction, or boredom.

(of a horse) refusing to advance, stubbornly standing still or moving backward or sideways.

**dulcet**: (especially of sound) sweet and soothing (often used ironically)

**utopians**: idealistic reformers.

**pedants**: a person who is excessively concerned with minor details and rules or with displaying academic learning.

**sophisticates**: people with much worldly experience and knowledge of fashion and culture.

**languor**: the state or feeling, often pleasant, of tiredness or inertia. An oppressive stillness of the air.

**magnanimous**: very generous or forgiving, especially toward a rival or someone less powerful than oneself.

**amiably**: in a friendly or pleasant manner.

**benign**: gentle, kindly, not harmful.

**imperious**: assuming power or authority without justification; arrogant and domineering.

**melancholy**: a feeling of pensive sadness, typically with no obvious cause.

**uncouth**: (of a person or their appearance or behavior) lacking good manners, refinement, or grace.

(especially of art or language) lacking sophistication or delicacy.

(of a place) uncomfortable, especially because of remoteness or poor conditions.

**poignancy**: the quality of evoking a keen sense of sadness or regret.