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Wrinkle in Time: Vocabulary

Chapter 4:

Word/ Phrase	Definition	Sentence
Abruptly	To be done in an unexpectedly sudden way	"...did the moon simply go out, extinguished as abruptly and completely as a candle."
Apprehension*	The quality of dread or anxiety	"...Meg felt prickles of apprehension."
Cease *(Ceased)	To bring or to come to an end	"...and then the vegetation ceased entirely and there were only rocks..."
Centaur	In Greek myth, a race with the head, arms and torso of a man but the body and legs of a horse	"...it's not like a Greek centaur."
Cope*	To handle difficulties, especially successfully	" '[The only way to cope with something deadly serious is to try to treat it lightly.]'"
Corporeal	Of a material body, tangible, concrete	"The corporeal Meg simply was not."
Descend (Descending)	To move from a higher to a lower place	"... the descending circle of the moon swiftly slipping over the horizon."
Disperse* (Dispersed)	To break up and scatter; to distribute	"It had not lessened or dispersed with the coming of night."
Ephemeral	Lasting for only a brief time; fleeting	"...Meg felt that Mrs. Which, despite her looks and ephemeral broomstick, was someone in whom one could completely trust."
Exaltation	High praise; elevated great feeling of praise or honor	"... an exaltation of joy such as Meg had never before seen."
Extinguished	To put out; to put an end to	"...did the moon simply go out, extinguished as abruptly and completely as a candle."
Gash (Gashed)	To make a long, deep cut in	"... it seemed as though a knife gashed through her lungs."
Hesitant*	To act, speak or decide slowly or with reluctance	"The children took hesitant steps toward the beautiful creature."

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Incapable*	Lacking the ability or power to do something	"...they were incapable of speech."
Ineffable	Unable (incapable) of being expressed	"There was an air of such ineffable peace..."
Inexorable	Not capable of being persuaded, relentless; unable to resist	"...and feeling the gentle inexorable tug of the moon."
Infinity*	Unbounded space, time, or quantity; that which goes on forever without end	"...the mountains seemed to be reaching into infinity."
Inhabitants*	A resident, person living in a place	"...let the inhabitants of the rock sing..."
Materialize*	To take physical form or shape	"...it was difficult for her to materialize completely..."
Metamorphose	To change form, shape	" 'You can't go on changing my name each time I metamorphose.' "
Monolith	A large block of stone	"... a granite-like rock shaped into enormous monoliths."
Passionately*	To do something with powerful emotion	"Meg cried passionately."
Probe (Probing)	To examine or investigate	"Charles Wallace got his look of probing, of listening."
Reassure	To restore confidence; to assure again	"She pushed her glasses up on her nose to reassure herself that what she was seeing was real."
Resonant	Strong and deep in tone, sound	"The resonant voice rose..."
Summit*	The highest point	"The summit was only a little way above them..."
Tremendous*	Extremely large, enormous	" 'But it takes a tremendous amount of energy...' "
Verbalize*	To express in words	" 'She finds it so difficult to verbalized...' "
Void*	Containing no matter, empty; emptiness	"She was lost in a horrifying void."