

Raisin in the Sun Vocabulary Act II and III

1. **ornate** (adj.): marked by complexity and richness of detail
2. **eccentric** (adj.): obviously or grossly unconventional or unusual
3. **shrewd** (adj.): marked by practical hardheaded intelligence
4. **resignation** (n.): the act of giving up, as a claim or office or possession
5. **abruptly** (adv.): quickly and without warning
6. **presumably** (adv.): by reasonable assumption
7. **weary** (adj.): physically and mentally fatigued
8. **emphatic** (adj.): spoken with particular stress
9. **colonialism** (n.): exploitation by a stronger country of weaker one
10. **martyr** (n.): one who suffers for the sake of principle
11. **epitaph** (n.): an inscription in memory of a buried person
12. **reverie** (n.): absentminded dreaming while awake