

WORK DEFINITIONS IN “THE DOCTOR’S OPINION”

Abnormal: not natural, deviating from the normal or average.

Abstinence: willful avoidance of pleasure, especially food or drink.

Addiction: a state of being given up to devotion or surrender (of oneself) to something habitually or obsessively.

Aggregate: the sum total.

Allergy: an abnormal reaction to any food, substance or beverage.

Altruistic: concern for the welfare of others as opposed to egoism or selfishness.

Annals: history.

Befogged: confused.

Chronic: constantly present; frequently recurring.

Conception: a general idea or understanding.

Consented: to give approval of what is asked.

Craving: an insatiable desire or longing for more of the same. (Always the physical factor after the substance is ingested.)

Cynical: distrustful of human nature; inclined to question the sincerity and goodness of people.

Defective: lacking something essential to be complete.

Deterioration: becoming worse.

Differentiate: recognize a difference.

Distinct: distinguished as not being the same, not identical.

Drug: a substance other than food taken into the body that changes its function.

Elusive: evasive, hard to comprehend or define.

Emotionally: related to feelings.

Entity: something that exists on its own.

Epoch: an event or a time that begins a new period or development.

Eradicated: done away with completely.

Fellowship: a group of people with the same interests or experiences.

Gastric Hemorrhage: bleeding pertaining to the stomach.

Imperative: mandatory, urgent.

Impulse: a sudden urge.

Impunity: without punishment, harm or loss.

Inadequacy: insufficiency.

Inherent: existing in someone or something as a natural and inseparable quality.

Jittery: nervous, uneasy.

Layman: people who do not have special or advanced training or skills.

Maladjusted: lacking harmony with one’s environment; poorly adjusted to one’s life.

Manic-depressive: having a mental disorder marked by excitation and depression.

Manifestation: something easily perceived by the senses or mind, an indication.

Mental: relating to the mind; will power.

Misgiving: a feeling of doubt or suspicion concerning a future event.

Moral Psychology: on page xxvii he is talking about a spiritual awakening, but on page xxxi he is talking about the psychology that was generally practiced at the time.

Opinion: a belief or conclusion held with confidence but not substantiated by positive knowledge or proof.

Paramount: of chief concern or importance, primary, foremost.
Pathological: pertaining to disease.
Phenomenon: something known by the senses but not understood by the mind.
Precipitates: to bring about, causes to happen.
Psychiatric: the medical study, diagnosis, treatment and prevention of mental illness.
Psychic: pertaining to the mind.
Psychological: pertaining to psychology – mind and behavior.
Psychopath: a person with a personality disorder, especially one manifested in aggressively antisocial behavior.
Reality: the truth.
Remorseful: feeling guilt for past wrongs.
Resolution: a strong vow or promise.
Scoff: to show or treat with contempt by ridiculing acts or language.
Scope: the range of one's perception, thought or action.
Sickened: causing sickness.
Soundness: correctness.
Specimen: an individual item or part representative of a whole.
Spree: a drinking bout.
Succumbed: giving into the overwhelming desire.
Symptom: evidence of disease.
Synthetic: man-made.
Temperate: exercising moderation or self-restraint.
Theory: a plausible principle used to explain something.
Ultra-modern: the very latest.
Unstable: tending strongly to change, not constant, characterized by inability to control emotions.
Will Power: strong determination.