

# Vocabulary List

the Women's Room

= Note: Especially in North America, avoid the word "go to the toilet." A toilet is 便器。"She is in the toilet" does not sound like polite, educated English. Instead, in North America, use nouns such as "the Men's Room," "the Lavatory," "the Rest Room," or "the bathroom." But in British countries, "go to the toilet" is more common and appropriate.

a spectre

= a ghost, a scary image (Note: The word "spectre," meaning "a ghost," has gotten a bit old, and is not widely used in modern English.)

to be a mouthful

= a series of words which are hard to say

to swirl

= to spin

distorted

= ゆがめられた

a diary

= 日記

infinite

= continuing forever

to symbolize

= 象徴する

an imperial court

= 朝廷、宮中

a rebellion

= 反抗、造反

ruined

= destroyed

to practice witchcraft

= 魔術を使う

a mansion

= a huge house

a skeleton

= 骸骨

a sword

= 大刀

a woodblock print

= 浮世絵、版画

a landscape

= 風景画