**VOCABULARY – *Hamlet***

**Part 1: Using Context Clues – Guess the meaning of each word based on its use in the textual passage**

1. *...that this portentous figure/ Comes armed through our watch*

2. - 3. *...it is as the air invulnerable. /And our vain blows malicious mockery,*

4. *But you must know your father lost a father. / That father lost, lost his, and the survivor bound*

*in filial obligation for some term.*

5. *The chariest maid is prodigal enough/ If she unmask her beauty to the moon.*

6. *...it went hand in hand even with the vow /I made to her in marriage*

7. *O most pernicious woman!/ O villain, villain, smiling damned villain!*

8. *Or by pronouncing of some doubtful phrase,/ \As ..."If we list to speak." or "There be, an if*

*they might."/ ...Or such ambiguous giving out,*

**Part 2: Determining the Meaning -- Match the vocabulary words to their definitions.**

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| \_\_\_ 1. portentous | A. An earnest promise. |
| \_\_\_ 2. invulnerable | B. Rashly or wastefully extravagant. |
| \_\_\_ 3. malicious | C. The relationship of child or offspring to parent. |
| \_\_\_ 4. filial | D. Open to more than one interpretation.. |
| \_\_\_ 5. prodigal | E. Immune to attack; impregnable; impossible to damage, injure, or wound. |
| \_\_\_ 6. vow  | F. Full of unspecifiable significance; exciting wonder and awe. |
| \_\_\_ 7. pernicious | G. Spiteful |
| \_\_\_ 8. ambiguous | H. Deadly; destructive. |