

WORDS TO KNOW VOICE AND DICTION

ACCENTS OR DIALECTS: habits or characteristics of speech that help identify the background of the character

ARTICULATION: the clear and precise pronunciation of words

DICTION: the pronunciation of words, choice of words, and manner in which a person expresses himself.

ENUNCIATION: distinct pronunciation

INFLECTION: a change in the tone or pitch of the voice

LARYNX (AKA Voice Box) The organ that houses the vocal cords and is responsible for sound production.

PITCH: the highness or lowness of the voice.

PROJECTION: the placement and delivery of voice elements used effectively in communicating to an audience.

PRONUNCIATION: the way in which a sound, word, or language is articulated

RANGE: the notes that someone's voice is capable of producing

RESONANCE: amplification of the voice caused by vibrations in the chest cavity

TONE: the quality of sound

VOCAL CORDS: (AKA VOCAL FOLDS) two small muscles located within the larynx (voice box) that are responsible for voice production.

VOCAL QUALITY: The characteristics of a voice, such as shrill, nasal, raspy, breathy, booming, and so forth

VOLUME: The degree of loudness or intensity of a voice.