

## Joy of Vocab #11

**Antibiotic**- substance that inhibits the growth of or destroys harmful bacteria and other microorganisms

**Antibody**- immunizing substance formed in the body to counteract an invading antigen

**Anticlimax**- sudden drop in importance or dignity, either in writing or speaking, creating a humorous effect

**Anticoagulant**- substance that delays or prevents coagulation

**Anticorrosive**- counteracting or preventing corrosion

**Antidote**- remedy that counteracts a poison

**Antiestablishment**- opposed to the principles of a ruling class or inner circle

**Antihistamine**- drug that helps prevent histamine from causing allergic reactions or cold symptoms

**Antihypertensive**- effective in reducing high blood pressure

**Antimacassar**- small cover for arms or backs of sofas or chairs, either as a decoration or a protection from soiling

**Antioxidant**- chemical compound that slows down oxidation and checks deterioration

**Antipathy**- strong feeling against someone or something; dislike; aversion

**Antipersonnel**- designed for use against an enemy nation's military personnel or civilians, rather than its equipment

**Antipodes**- parts of the earth, or their inhabitants, directly opposite one another on the globe

**Antipyretic**- substance that reduces fever

**Antiscorbutic**- preventing or relieving scurvy

**Antiseptic**- substance that kills or inhibits the growth of microorganisms

**Antithesis**- exact opposite; contrast

**Antitrust**- opposing, or intended to oppose, trust

**Antiviral**- acting to make viruses ineffective