**English 9 Vocabulary Week 4: October 12**

**Incipo, Incipi: “To begin”**

* **Inception**: the beginning of something.

*Since the* ***inception*** *of a vaccine for polio, that disease has almost disappeared from the planet.*

* **Incipient**: In its early stages; the beginning.

*A sore throat and runny nose are the symptoms of an* ***incipient*** *cold.*

**Nihil: “Nothing”**

* **Annihilate**: to destroy completely.

*During the radio broadcast of* War of the Worlds*, thousands of listeners thought that Martians were about to* ***annihilate*** *New Jersey.*

* **Nihilism**: the belief that there are no values or morals in the universe.

*In the 1970s, some hippies embraced the principles of* ***nihilism*** *and ignored many of society’s rules and laws.*

**Nego, Nagare, Negavi “To deny”**

* **Negate**: to nullify, deny; to bring to nothing.

*While we like the singer’s music, it doesn’t negate the fact that he broke the law by leaving the scene of an accident.*

* **Renegade**: one who leaves a group; a deserter, an outlaw. Traitorous, unconventional, an outlaw

*Loyal troops crushed the revolt and imprisoned* ***renegade*** *officers.*

**Vanus, Vacuus “Empty”**

* **Vacuous**: empty.

*Some teachers criticize video games as vacuous entertainment. Not me!*

* **Vanity**: conceit, especially about one’s appearance.

*His* ***vanity*** *led him to check his hair constantly throughout the day.*

* **Vaunt**: to boast or to brag.

*Gracious winners do not* ***vaunt*** *their victories.*

**Aperio “To open”**

* **Aperture**: an opening.

*The photographer adjusted the aperture of the lens to let in more light.*

* **Overt**: Done or shown openly.

*Their overt hostility gave us little hope for making up.*