

# *Invisible Child*

Pre-reading vocabulary

# obfuscation

- the act of evading; evasiveness
- obfuscatory, unobfuscated

# gentrification

- the restoration of run-down urban spaces resulting in displacement of low income residents
- gentrify, gentry, gentile

# plummet

- to fall rapidly straight down
- a fall
- unplummeted

# conciierge

- a staff member of a hotel or apartment complex who assists residents with messages, reservations, luggage

# juxtaposition

- the fact of two things being seen or placed together with contrasting effect
- juxtapose (verb), juxtapositional

# arriviste

- a ruthlessly self-seeking person especially one who has recently acquired wealth or social status
- arrivistes (plural)

# matrilineal

- of or based on kinship with the mother or female line
- matrilineally, matriarch, matriarchal, maternal



# trajectory

- the path followed by an object under the action of given forces
- trajection, trajectory

# sartorial

- of or pertaining to clothing or style of clothes
- sartorius
- sartorially

# avuncular

- like an uncle; kind or friendly like an uncle
- uncle

# quixotic

- exceedingly idealistic; unrealistic and impractical
- quixotically