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
concierge

- 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, trajectile
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