Vocabulary lesson 13

1. **abate** *(v.)* to reduce, lessen *(The rain poured down for a while, then abated.)*
2. **brazen** *(adj.)* excessively bold, brash *(Critics condemned the novelist’s brazen attempt to plagiarize Hemingway’s story.)*
3. **convene** *(v.)* to call together *(Jason convened his entire extended family for a discussion.)*
4. **discern** *(v.)* to perceive, detect
5. **foil** *(v.)* to frustrate, defeat; one’s opposite in a story*(Inspector Wilkens foiled the thieves by locking them in the bank along with their stolen money.)*
6. **C:\Users\Mich\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\Content.IE5\SPH0OBVL\MC900299133[1].wmfinept** *(adj.)* not suitable or capable, unqualified *(She proved how inept she was when she forgot three orders and spilled a soda in a customer’s lap.)*