

raid

a sudden armed attack



dusk

the time just before night  
when the daylight has almost  
gone but when it is not  
completely dark



amulet

a small object often worn or  
carried to bring good luck and  
protect from evil



vizier

a high official in certain Muslim countries, like a chief minister or governor



hieroglyphics

symbols in the form of pictures used in some writing systems, for example in ancient Egypt



glint

to produce or reflect a quick flash of light



spellbound

to be so fascinated by someone or something that you cannot think about anything else



iron staff

a strong stick or pole made of iron



canopic jar

a container with tops in the form of animal heads of the gods, for holding the entrails of a mummy



delta

an area of low, flat land,  
sometimes shaped like a  
triangle, where a river divides  
into several smaller rivers before  
flowing into the sea

