**English 11IB Unit 4 Vocabulary List (Transcendentalism in Mass Media)**

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3. to give what is due or owed: *render thanks*.

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5. to depict something: *Orwell rendered the truth of the dangers of totalitarianism through 1984.*

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**4**. **Derelict (adj/n)** – in poor condition (adj); a very poor person who lives on the fringe of society (n)

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