

Word	Context	Definition
Decorous	We courted decorously, not like Dedé and Jaimito, two little puppies you constantly have to watch p 50	
Extoll	Extolling its many virtues, the salesman noted that it was El Jefe's favorite car. p 51	
Desist	I should have desisted; I should not have seen what I saw. p 54	
Sanction	As if she, Dedè, had sanctioned all of this.	
Radical	We had this friend who was quite a radical young woman p. 66	
Reluctant	...making invisible zeroes, trying to get her reluctant pen to write p. 66	
Archly	"Of the uninspiring kind," Minerva says archly. p. 68	
Facility	Dedè marvels at Minerva's facility in arranging everyone's lives. p. 69	
Coup de gracé	And then the coup de gracé, "Why don't you come with us, Papa?" Of course Papa won't come along. p. 69	
Frivolity	Suddenly, Dedè feels foolish, caught in frivolity like a kitten caught in a ball of yarn.	
Agile	But Lío Morales has turned out to be surprisingly agile.	

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Impertinent	"Otherwise, they go on and on, asking the most impertinent questions" pg. 4	
Veritable	"There is a veritable racket of gratitude on the other end" p. 4	
Campesinos	"most of the campesinos around here can't read, so it wouldn't do us any good to put names on the roads" p. 4	
Waif	"Instead the thin waif of a woman asks, "And where are you?" p. 6	
Monolithic	"Dede...[is] used to this fixed, monolithic language around interviewers" p. 7	
Coquette	"You'll be our little coquette. You'll make a lot of men's..." p. 8	
Clairvoyance	"especially if she's going to censor the clairvoyance of his several glasses of rum" p. 9	
Agitating	"For years Minerva had been agitating to go to law school" p. 10	
Beholden	"She was pretty shocked, and beholden. She offered to trade me back the secret of Trujillo." P. 16	
Coax	"It took some coaxing, but finally she began" p. 17	
Pobrecita	"...my complications had started...pobrecita!"	