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Activity 4: Understanding Key Vocabulary

The following words are used in the article that you will soon read:

antics, apt, enthralled, humdrum, nefarious, obsessed, paparazzi, salacious

Below are the definitions of these words. Look at each word and its definition, then fill out the right column. Discuss your predictions in small groups or as a class.

| Word | Definition | Prediction: How do you think this word relates to the topic? |
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| salacious | scandalous; obscene | |
| nefarious | evil or wicked | |
| paparazzi | freelance photographers who follow famous people, hoping to get a shocking story | |
| humdrum | dull and boring; monotonous | |
| enthralled | very interested; fascinated | |
| antics | amusing or silly behavior | |
| apt | likely | |
| obsessed | to think about someone or something constantly | |