amalgam	a mixture
carrion	dead, putrefying flesh
cauldron	a large, basin- shaped vessel used for boiling
citadel	a fortress
discrepancy	difference

historicity

historical quality or character

inestimable

unable to be calculated

internecine

fighting within a group or organisation

kernel

a seed

litigants

parties to a law suit

minstrel	a poet who sings and entertains
nuptials	marriage rites
postulate	to hypothesise
predatory forays	attacks, raids with intent to kill
salvers	trays

Scamander

a river near Troy

sepulchres

tombs, graves

shaft graves

vertical holes or pits used for burial purposes

superimposed

placed on top

topography

land-surface features of a region or locality

tripod	a three-legged stand
Troad	geographical area surrounding the city of Troy