The Pitfalls of Plastic Surgery

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Words to Learn

narcissism (para. 3): excessive self-love (n.)
endemic (para. 3): confined to a particular group or area (adj.)
coercive (para. 3): intending to persuade or pressure (adj.)
parochial (para. 6): insular; narrow in its view (adj.)
ingenuous (para. 6): young female; an innocent young girl (n.)
ingratiating (para. 6): designed to win someone's favor (adj.)
dominatrix (para. 6): a female sexual aggressor (n.)
simpering (para. 7): silly; whiny (adj.)
rynomphet (para. 7): a young, sexually attractive girl (n.)
esoteric (para. 7): confined to and understandable to a small group (adj.)
discrepancy (para. 8): divergence or disagreement (n.)
Lana Turner and Lee Philips in the 1957 film Pandora Place.
Women's bodies must draw the line against sex and peril. Suggested remedies: 1. Great painting and sculpture. 2. Cosmetics. 3. Maintain an agreed upon subject and manner.