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# Glossary

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## <sup>14</sup> **based**

Based means came from or started in. *I want to see the new movie; it is based on one of my favorite old books.*

## <sup>21</sup> **carcass**

A carcass is the dead body of an animal.

## <sup>19</sup> **consists**

Consists means is made up of. *Sea water consists of salt and water.*

## <sup>15</sup> **deliver**

Deliver means to give. *During the boxing match, he will deliver many punches to his opponent.*

## <sup>18</sup> **fare**

Fare is food and drink. *The fare at the picnic included watermelon and potato salad.*

## <sup>11</sup> **fictional**

Fictional means imaginary or made-up. *The fictional book was about a boy who rides a unicorn.*

## <sup>16</sup> **flesh**

Flesh is the soft, meaty part of an animal's body made up of fat and muscle.

## <sup>23</sup> **originated**

Originated means started or came to be. *My tradition of planting a tree on my birthday originated when I turned 7, and I have been doing it every year since then.*

## <sup>22</sup> **pick**

Pick means to tear something off a little bit at a time. *A dog will pick the meat off the bone.*

## <sup>10</sup> **razor-sharp**

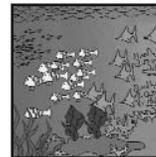
Razor-sharp means having an edge that can cut things very easily, like a razor. *You must be careful not to cut your finger with the razor-sharp knife.*

## <sup>9</sup> **reputation**

A reputation is what other people think and feel about someone or something. *Miguel has a good reputation at school; everyone thinks he is funny and smart.*

## <sup>12</sup> **schools**

Schools are groups of fish.



## <sup>13</sup> **surrounding**

Surrounding means going or being all around something. *The house is hard to see because of the pine trees surrounding it.*

## <sup>17</sup> **typical**

Typical means normal or usual for a type of thing. *Cats and dogs are typical pets; many people have them.*

## <sup>20</sup> **wounded**

Wounded means hurt or injured. *The wounded animal was unable to run.*

# Shedding Light on Scorpions

## <sup>24</sup> arachnids

Arachnids are a group of animals that look like insects but have eight legs, no antennae, and no wings. *Spiders, ticks, mites, and scorpions are some kinds of arachnids.*

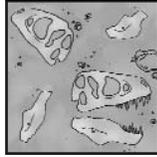


## <sup>29</sup> fluorescent

If something is fluorescent, its color turns very bright and glowing when it reflects certain kinds of light. *Janis highlighted the important parts of her book with a fluorescent yellow marker.*

## <sup>34</sup> fossils

Fossils are what is left of plants and animals that have been dead a very long time. *The museum has fossils of plants that lived millions of years ago.*



## <sup>27</sup> in the wild

In the wild means in an area of land where very few people live, and plants and animals live without the help of people. *Some people learn to survive in the wild by learning how to find food and water and how to avoid dangerous animals.*

## <sup>25</sup> lobster-shaped

Lobster-shaped means having a form like a lobster, which is one kind of shelled sea animal.

## <sup>33</sup> molts

Molts means loses skin, hair, feathers, or another body covering so that a new covering can grow. *Each year, our pet snake molts; when it rubs off its old layer of skin, you can see that it has grown a new layer underneath.*

## <sup>28</sup> nocturnal

Animals that are nocturnal are active at night and asleep during the day. *Bats, owls, and raccoons are all nocturnal animals.*

## <sup>32</sup> observe

Observe means to watch carefully. *We used a telescope to observe the stars.*

## <sup>26</sup> recognize

Recognize means to know what something is when you see, hear, smell, touch, or taste it. *I knew Mom was baking cookies, because I could recognize the smell in the kitchen.*

## <sup>35</sup> shed

Shed means to release or give off something, like light, sound, or a smell. *The two small lamps shed enough light to make the whole room bright.*

## <sup>31</sup> ultraviolet lamps

Ultraviolet lamps are lamps, flashlights, or other devices that give off ultraviolet light. *People have used ultraviolet lamps to tan themselves in the wintertime.*

## <sup>30</sup> ultraviolet light

Ultraviolet light is light with a color that is next to violet on the rainbow. Ultraviolet light is invisible to people. *The sun gives off ultraviolet light that we can't see; too much of this ultraviolet light can make people's skin burn.*

## <sup>18</sup> **classified**

Classified means put into a certain group. *Dogs, lions, and people are all classified as mammals.*

## <sup>17</sup> **cloven hooves**

Cloven hooves are hard coverings of the feet of certain animals that are split or divided. *Pigs, deer, and cows have cloven hooves on their feet, but a horse has one solid hoof on each foot.*



## <sup>10</sup> **explorers**

Explorers are people who travel to and learn about new places. *The explorers followed the river to find out if it led to an easy way to get past the mountains.*

## <sup>14</sup> **features**

Features are the noticeable parts of something. *Long, thin legs and pink feathers are two features of the flamingo.*

## <sup>13</sup> **glimpses**

Glimpses are quick looks at something. *It was hard to see where I was going in the dark storm, but the flashes of lightning gave me glimpses of the road ahead.*

## <sup>11</sup> **intrigued**

Intrigued means made someone feel interested because something was mysterious or fascinating. *My friend's story about her vacation intrigued me; I wanted her to tell me more.*

## <sup>16</sup> **mythical**

Mythical means imaginary or pretend. *Mermaids and unicorns are mythical creatures.*

## <sup>19</sup> **relative**

A relative is a member of the same family. *The tiger is a relative of the lion because both animals are in the cat family.*

## <sup>15</sup> **roughly**

Roughly means about, around, or close to, but not exactly. *I have roughly 100 pennies in this jar, but I haven't counted the exact number.*

## <sup>12</sup> **unicorn**

A unicorn is an imaginary animal that looks like a horse with a horn on its head.



## <sup>9</sup> **Western world**

In the 1800s, the Western world meant Europe, North America, and some countries in South America.

# How Far to Freedom?

## <sup>22</sup> **bold**

Bold means risky and brave. *The firefighter made a bold decision: he would go back into the burning building to save more people.*

## <sup>31</sup> **citizens**

Citizens are the people who live in a country, state, city, town, or other region. *The citizens of the town gathered for the annual town meeting.*

## <sup>27</sup> **feigning**

Feigning means pretending. *Louis felt fine, but he was feigning sickness so he wouldn't have to help with the chores.*

## <sup>20</sup> **fugitive**

Fugitive means escaped and on the run from something. *The police hunted down the fugitive prisoner and put him back in jail.*

## <sup>29</sup> **identity**

An identity is who someone is, or what something is. *Police wanted to find out the identity of the man who robbed the bank.*

## <sup>25</sup> **illiteracy**

Illiteracy is the inability to read or write. *Because of his illiteracy, Lee did not know how to read the sign on the wall.*

## <sup>32</sup> **outlawed**

Outlawed means made a law against something. *Before the country outlawed child labor, many children worked in factories instead of going to school.*

## <sup>23</sup> **posed as**

Posed as means pretended to be. *Keesha is a banker, but she posed as a reporter in order to talk with the famous actor.*

## <sup>30</sup> **required**

Required means ordered or made it necessary for someone to do something. *The teacher required her students to be on time each day.*

## <sup>24</sup> **sling**

A sling is a piece of cloth that ties around the neck and holds up an injured arm. *When the baseball player hurt his arm, he had to keep it in a sling for two weeks.*



## <sup>26</sup> **socialize**

Socialize means to talk with and spend time with others. *Some people are shy and quiet when they are with groups of people, but others like to socialize and talk with everyone.*

## <sup>21</sup> **the North**

The North refers to the U.S. states that did not allow slavery in the mid-1800s.

## <sup>28</sup> **therapy**

Therapy is treatment of diseases, illnesses, or problems. *The little boy used to have trouble speaking, but he is greatly improved after a year of speech therapy.*

## <sup>11</sup> **according to**

According to means as said or believed by someone or something. *According to the police officer, my friend caused the car accident.*

## <sup>21</sup> **artifacts**

Artifacts are objects that remain from long ago. *These arrowheads and animal bones are artifacts from an ancient tribe that used to hunt in this area.*

## <sup>25</sup> **convinced**

Convinced means completely certain of something.

## <sup>9</sup> **elusive**

Elusive means difficult to catch or find. *The bank robber was elusive, so the police were never able to arrest him.*

## <sup>24</sup> **evidence**

Evidence is information that helps you believe something. *The mud on the floor is evidence that someone wore dirty shoes in the house.*

## <sup>12</sup> **exist**

Exist means to be real or alive. *Flowers exist in nature.*

## <sup>13</sup> **explorer**

An explorer is a person who travels to learn about new places or to discover something. *The explorer followed the river to find out if it led to an easy way to get past the mountains.*

## <sup>19</sup> **hide**

A hide is the skin of an animal. *His leather hat is made from the hide of a cow.*

## <sup>10</sup> **lurks**

Lurks means stays hidden or waits quietly, usually out of sight from others. *The spy lurks in the shadows so that he can listen to conversations without being seen.*



## <sup>14</sup> **party**

A party is a group of people that comes together for an activity. *The rescue party searched for the missing person.*

## <sup>16</sup> **remote**

Remote means far away from other things. *Joe's house in the mountains is very remote; his closest neighbor is 30 miles away.*

## <sup>17</sup> **route**

A route is a way or path to get somewhere. *The bus driver takes the same route to school every morning.*

## <sup>20</sup> **scalps**

Scalps are the tops of heads, especially the skin under the hair.

## <sup>23</sup> **suspected**

Suspected means had a feeling or belief about something. *When I saw that the cookies were gone, I suspected that my dad ate them, because he loves cookies.*

## <sup>15</sup> **terrain**

Terrain is an area of ground or land. *You will find flat, grassy terrain in the prairies, but mountain areas have a steep, rocky terrain.*

## <sup>18</sup> **traces**

Traces are small signs that show someone or something was once there.

## <sup>22</sup> **zoologists**

Zoologists are people who study animals.

## <sup>41</sup> appreciate

Appreciate means to enjoy or see the value of something. *I began to appreciate my ugly boots when I found out how warm they kept my feet.*

## <sup>37</sup> arches

Arches are curved structures that go across open spaces. *As we walked through the garden, we passed under several arches that were covered in vines.*



## <sup>33</sup> architect

An architect is a person who designs buildings, bridges, and other large structures and often directs their construction. *An architect came up with a plan for the new bridge and made sure the bridge workers followed the plan.*

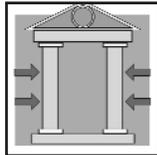
## <sup>26</sup> balconies

Balconies are floors that stick out from the side of a building. They are closed in by a low wall or railing.



## <sup>28</sup> columns

Columns are tall pillars used as support or as decoration.



## <sup>32</sup> designed

Designed means made the original plans for something. *The architect designed the new wing of the building.*

## <sup>34</sup> forms

Forms are the shapes of things or the way things look. *Basketballs and soccer balls have round forms.*

## <sup>35</sup> inspiration

Inspiration is a thing or idea that makes a person want to do something. *His inspiration for the new recipe came when he accidentally dropped his pickle into the ice cream.*

## <sup>27</sup> resembles

Resembles means looks like another person or thing. *The boy resembles his dad: he has dark hair and green eyes like his dad does.*

## <sup>30</sup> sea serpent

A sea serpent is a huge creature, like a snake or a dragon, that some people claim to have seen in the ocean.

## <sup>36</sup> sloping

Sloping means slanting upward or downward. *The kids rode their bikes down the long, sloping hill.*

## <sup>31</sup> structures

Structures are things that have been made, like buildings, bridges, or houses. *The play structures at the park include slides, swings, monkey bars, and ladders.*

## <sup>40</sup> style

Style is a certain look that something has or a certain way that someone does something. *The artist's style made it easy to recognize his paintings; they all have dark colors.*

## <sup>38</sup> textures

Textures are the way things feel, such as soft, smooth, or rough. *Sandpaper and silk have different textures; sandpaper feels rough, and silk feels smooth.*

## <sup>39</sup> unpredictable

If something is unpredictable, it is hard or impossible to make predictions about. *No one wanted to bet on the unpredictable football team; no one could guess whether they would win or lose.*

## <sup>29</sup> winding

Winding means having many turns; following a twisting or curving path.

## <sup>16</sup> **connection**

A connection is the act of two or more things being joined together. *When I unplugged the lamp from the wall, the lamp lost its electrical connection.*

## <sup>21</sup> **detect**

Detect means to discover or notice something. *The deer stayed so still that the hunter didn't detect it.*

## <sup>11</sup> **distinguish**

Distinguish means to tell one thing apart from another or to see the differences between things. *My twin sisters look so much alike that it is hard to distinguish between them.*

## <sup>9</sup> **identify**

Identify means to recognize or figure out who someone or what something is. *The man wore a police uniform, so I was able to identify him as a police officer.*

## <sup>14</sup> **inhale**

Inhale means to breathe in or to bring air into the lungs. *Pablo stepped away from the fire so that he wouldn't inhale any of the smoke.*

## <sup>13</sup> **molecules**

Molecules are the smallest parts that things can be divided into, and each part will still have the same qualities as the original thing. *Two substances go together to make water, so all water molecules contain both of these substances.*

## <sup>22</sup> **odor**

An odor is a smell. *When I put the flower to my nose, I could smell its sweet odor.*

## <sup>23</sup> **process**

A process is a series of steps in doing something. *Washing, drying, and folding clothes are all parts of Mom's laundry process.*

## <sup>18</sup> **realize**

Realize means to learn or come to know something that you did not know before. *I will hurry if I realize I am late.*

## <sup>15</sup> **receptors**

Receptors are parts of nerves that receive information from outside the body.

## <sup>19</sup> **roughly**

Roughly means about, around, or close to, but not exactly. *I have roughly 100 pennies in this jar, but I haven't counted the exact number.*

## <sup>20</sup> **sheds**

Sheds means releases or gives off. *This lamp sheds enough light to light up the whole room.*

## <sup>17</sup> **signal**

A signal is information about what is happening. *Smoke is one signal that a fire is happening; a fire alarm is another signal.*

## <sup>12</sup> **substance**

A substance is a liquid, solid, or gas. *Sap is a sticky substance that comes from trees.*

## <sup>10</sup> **vanilla**

Vanilla is a flavoring made from the dried pods of a kind of flower. *Vanilla is my favorite ice cream flavor, but my sister likes chocolate.*

## <sup>34</sup> balances

Balances means holds something steady without letting it tip from side to side or fall off. *In the show, a seal balances a ball on the tip of its nose.*

## <sup>24</sup> below zero

Below zero means less than zero degrees and indicates a very cold temperature.

## <sup>26</sup> breed

Breed means to have babies.

## <sup>38</sup> breeding ground

A breeding ground is the place where animals gather to find their mates or to have their babies.

## <sup>39</sup> cycle

A cycle is a set of events that happen over and over again in the same order.

## <sup>27</sup> environment

An environment is the area that is around a person, plant, or animal. *I like seeing the monkeys in the zoo, but someday I want to go to the jungle and see them in their natural environment.*

## <sup>33</sup> exposed

Exposed means left uncovered, open to danger, or unprotected against the effects of something. *My hat protected my face from the hot sun, but the exposed skin on my arms got badly sunburned.*

## <sup>25</sup> Fahrenheit

Fahrenheit is a scale used to measure temperature. *Water freezes when its temperature is 32 degrees Fahrenheit.*

## <sup>35</sup> flap

A flap is a piece that hangs down. *The flap on her hat hangs down to cover her ear.*



## <sup>36</sup> huddles

Huddles means stays close together. *The baby rabbit huddles with the other rabbits to stay warm.*

## <sup>32</sup> incubating

Incubating means keeping eggs warm and protecting them so they will hatch.

## <sup>31</sup> meanwhile

Meanwhile means happening at the same time. *In order to get started on our group project right away, Julie started looking for information online; meanwhile, Stanley and I looked for information in books.*

## <sup>37</sup> positions

Positions are the places where people or things are. *Dad and I moved our chairs to new positions so that we could see the TV better.*

## <sup>30</sup> process

A process is a series of steps in doing something. *Washing, drying, and folding clothes are all parts of Mom's laundry process.*

## <sup>29</sup> sacrifices

Sacrifices are the acts of giving up things—usually things difficult to give up—in order to help others or to achieve goals. *He made many sacrifices to care for his mother while she was sick; he canceled his vacations and took a second job to help pay her medical bills.*

## <sup>28</sup> young

Young are babies. *I watched the robin feed its young; it brought worms to the baby birds.*

## <sup>14</sup> accounts

Accounts are written or spoken descriptions of events. *The drivers' accounts of the accident were very different; one person said both cars were speeding, and the other said neither car was speeding.*

## <sup>10</sup> basis

A basis is the main reason for something or the thing that led up to it. *Soccer was the basis of their friendship; they became friends when they realized they both loved the game.*

## <sup>22</sup> defenses

Defenses are things people or animals use to protect themselves. *Different animals use different defenses to stay safe; skunks can spray a stinky liquid, and bees can sting.*

## <sup>21</sup> despite

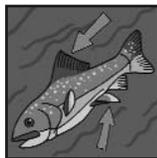
Despite means even though something is true. *Despite losing its first game, the football team went on to win the championship.*

## <sup>13</sup> exaggerated

Exaggerated means done in a way that makes something seem bigger, better, or more interesting than it really is. *The exaggerated drawing showed a man with ears that were bigger than his head.*

## <sup>16</sup> fins

Fins are flat, wing-shaped body parts that stick out of many fish and some other animals. *Fish use their fins to help them move through the water.*



## <sup>20</sup> ink

Ink is a dark liquid that some sea animals can shoot from their bodies, usually to confuse an enemy. *After the octopus shot out its ink, the enemy could not see the octopus swim away.*

## <sup>19</sup> jagged

Jagged means rough, uneven, and sharp. *A saw has a jagged edge that can cut through a piece of wood.*

## <sup>12</sup> lie

Lie means to be made up of. *Glen isn't interested in sports; his interests lie in science and history.*

## <sup>15</sup> mythical

Mythical means imaginary or pretend. *Mermaids and unicorns are mythical creatures.*

## <sup>11</sup> origin

An origin is where something comes from or how something starts. *My teacher explained the origin of the war: two countries started fighting because they both wanted the same piece of land.*

## <sup>18</sup> suckers

Suckers are parts of an animal's body that can attach to objects. *The octopus used the suckers on its arms to hold on to the rock.*

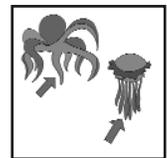


## <sup>9</sup> take down

Take down means to make something fall, break, or come apart. *A large wind storm can be strong enough to take down a tree.*

## <sup>17</sup> tentacles

Tentacles are long, flexible, arm-like body parts that some animals use for feeling, grabbing, and moving. *Jellyfish use their tentacles to catch food.*

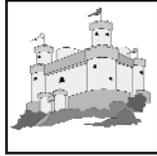


## <sup>26</sup> afford

Afford means to be able to do something without anything bad happening. *I don't have much homework tonight, so I can afford to play video games for a little while.*

## <sup>24</sup> castle

A castle is a strongly protected place where people live. Many castles were built as homes for kings and queens. *We visited the castle where the king of England used to live.*



## <sup>36</sup> collapse

Collapse means to fall down or cave in. *A small child's chair might collapse if a heavy adult sits in it.*

## <sup>33</sup> defenders

Defenders are people who protect something. *The town's defenders shot at the attackers.*

## <sup>28</sup> defenses

Defenses are things people build to protect themselves from attacks. *The fort's defenses include a large wall and many towers.*

## <sup>25</sup> effective

Effective means working well or able to get the result you want. *The extra time Jim spent studying was effective; it helped him get his first perfect score on a spelling test.*

## <sup>30</sup> encircled

Encircled means surrounded or went on all sides of something. *A white fence encircled their house.*

## <sup>37</sup> improvements

Improvements are changes or actions that make something better. *We made improvements to our house by painting the walls and putting new tiles on the floor.*

## <sup>29</sup> keep

A keep is a strong building in the center of a castle. It is usually the place that is hardest for enemies to reach. *When the castle was under attack, the king stayed in the keep so that he would be safe.*

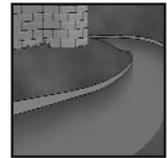


## <sup>23</sup> medieval

Medieval means from the time of the Middle Ages, which dated from about 500 to 1450. *When our class put on a play about England in the 1300s, I played the part of a medieval knight.*

## <sup>31</sup> moat

A moat is a deep, wide ditch dug around a castle, usually filled with water.



## <sup>27</sup> sophisticated

Sophisticated means advanced or highly developed. *The books that first-graders read are very simple, but the books that college students read are much more sophisticated.*

## <sup>32</sup> surrounded

Surrounded means went on all sides of something. *A white fence surrounded their house.*

## <sup>34</sup> tactics

Tactics are the actions an army takes in order to achieve its goal. *The army wanted to destroy the enemy's buildings; the army's tactics involved surrounding the area and dropping bombs.*

## <sup>38</sup> towers

Towers are tall, narrow buildings or parts of buildings.

## <sup>35</sup> unstable

Unstable means not firm or not solid. *The old table had unstable legs, so the table broke when I put weight on it.*

# Courage, Skill, and Teamwork

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## <sup>19</sup> brave

Brave means to face a difficult situation with courage. *Firefighters brave dangerous temperatures and heavy smoke in order to rescue people trapped in burning buildings.*

## <sup>10</sup> civilization

Civilization refers to cities or other areas in which many people live close together. *After a week of camping in the woods, Andrew was glad to get back to civilization, where he could take a hot shower and eat a nice meal.*

## <sup>23</sup> courage

Courage is the willingness to do difficult or dangerous things. *The firefighters showed courage when they went into the burning building.*

## <sup>18</sup> crafting

Crafting means making by hand with skill and care. *Fiona was crafting a bowl out of wood by carving and sanding it until it was round and smooth.*

## <sup>17</sup> forge

A forge is a furnace where metal is heated, melted, and then shaped into tools and other useful objects.



## <sup>15</sup> harsh

Harsh means very unpleasant, uncomfortable, or severe. *The wind was so harsh that it burned my cheeks.*

## <sup>22</sup> hurricane

A hurricane is a huge storm in which strong winds move at 74 miles per hour or faster. Hurricanes form over ocean waters and sometimes move onto land.

## <sup>12</sup> miserable

Miserable means poor and unpleasant. *The miserable meal of old bread was hardly enough to fill the hungry men's stomachs.*

## <sup>13</sup> refuge

A refuge is a place of safety, shelter, or protection from danger or harm. *We were outside when the storm came, so we ran inside the garage, making it our refuge until the rain stopped.*

## <sup>14</sup> relief

Relief happens when a hard or painful situation gets easier. *Aspirin can give you relief from a headache; it can get rid of the pain.*

## <sup>11</sup> rough

Rough means wild in force and movement. *The strong winds made the water too rough for swimming.*

## <sup>20</sup> set sail

Set sail means began a trip on a boat. *We set sail to visit an island, and we waved to our friends as our boat moved away from the shore.*

## <sup>16</sup> survive

Survive means to stay alive through a difficult time. *Paul's hunting skills helped him survive when he became lost in the woods without any food.*

## <sup>24</sup> teamwork

Teamwork is effort by members of a group to get something done. *Shoveling after the heavy snowfall was a big job, but with the teamwork of all our neighbors, we cleared the sidewalks and driveways in just one hour.*

## <sup>21</sup> whipped

Whipped means suddenly moved in a fast or wild way. *I was about to step out into the street when a car whipped around the corner and sped away down the street.*

## <sup>9</sup> wrecked

Wrecked means suffered destruction because of a storm or a crash. *The ship Titanic wrecked on an iceberg and sank to the bottom of the ocean.*

# Spotting a Wild Hellbender

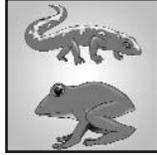
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## <sup>28</sup> **absorb**

Absorb means to take in or soak up another thing. *A sponge can absorb water.*

## <sup>27</sup> **amphibians**

Amphibians are cold-blooded animals with backbones and no scales.



## <sup>35</sup> **darts**

Darts means moves quickly and suddenly. *It is hard to catch a mouse as it darts across the room.*

## <sup>29</sup> **directly**

Directly means without anything happening or coming in between. *The light is too bright to look at directly; you should look at it only through dark glasses.*

## <sup>34</sup> **elusive**

Elusive means difficult to catch or find. *The bank robber was elusive, so the police were never able to arrest him.*

## <sup>26</sup> **exceptional**

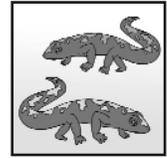
Exceptional means greater than usual. *We've had an exceptional amount of rain this year; most years we don't get nearly this much.*

## <sup>32</sup> **polluted**

Polluted means unclean or unhealthy because of harmful waste. *The town's polluted air was caused by smoke from nearby factories.*

## <sup>25</sup> **salamanders**

Salamanders are animals with soft, wet skin. They are shaped like lizards but are related to frogs.



## <sup>33</sup> **task**

A task is a difficult job or assignment. *When we moved, my main task was to label the boxes; each label told what was inside.*

## <sup>31</sup> **thrive**

Thrive means to grow well or be successful. *The flowers will thrive if they get enough sunlight and water.*

## <sup>30</sup> **toxins**

Toxins are poisonous substances that can cause sickness or death. *Some mushrooms have toxins in them, so they can kill you if you eat them.*

<sup>17</sup>  
**consist**

Consist means to be made up of. *Oceans consist of salt water, and rivers consist of fresh water.*

<sup>15</sup>  
**constricts**

Constricts means tightens or squeezes. *Ron is allergic to peanuts; his throat constricts when he eats them, so it is hard for him to breathe.*

<sup>13</sup>  
**delivers**

Delivers means sends or gives. *During the boxing match, he delivers many punches to his opponent.*

<sup>11</sup>  
**majority**

A majority is most of something. *The majority of the class likes olives; the class has 25 students, and 20 of them like olives.*

<sup>19</sup>  
**pursue**

Pursue means to follow or chase. *The fox will pursue its prey by running after it.*



<sup>18</sup>  
**rodents**

Rodents are small mammals with sharp front teeth. *Rats, mice, squirrels, and beavers are rodents.*



<sup>10</sup>  
**sluggish**

Sluggish means slow or moving with difficulty. *Most turtles are sluggish; they do not move very fast.*

<sup>12</sup>  
**stealthy**

Stealthy means able to move without being noticed. *The thief was stealthy; nobody saw him break into the stores he robbed.*

<sup>14</sup>  
**strike**

A strike is an attack, often one that happens quickly. *The soldiers worried that the enemy planes would make a strike.*

<sup>16</sup>  
**suffocation**

Suffocation is death from not having air to breathe. *If a large piece of food gets stuck in your throat, it can choke you and cause suffocation.*

<sup>9</sup>  
**venomous**

Venomous means filled with a harmful, poison-like substance that can hurt or kill other animals. *If the venomous snake bites the mouse, the mouse will die.*

# Heart Versus Height

## <sup>21</sup> **agility**

Agility is the ability to move quickly and easily. *Kanye's agility made him a great gymnast; he was the best at flips and somersaults.*

## <sup>32</sup> **beat the odds**

Beat the odds means was able to do something even though it seemed unlikely to happen. *Jamal beat the odds when he won the lottery; he won even though his chances were not very good.*

## <sup>30</sup> **career**

A career is a job you do for a long time. *My grandpa had a long career as a dentist; he worked for 45 years.*

## <sup>31</sup> **determination**

Determination is strength and willingness to finish something even when it is difficult. *It takes determination to climb to the top of a steep mountain.*

## <sup>26</sup> **doubts**

Doubts are thoughts that something might not be true or possible. *David said he finished reading the book, but his friends had doubts because David didn't know how the story ended.*

## <sup>29</sup> **draft**

In sports, a draft is the selection of new team members. Each year, professional sports teams take turns choosing from a group of players.

## <sup>28</sup> **drive**

Drive is a need or desire to do something. *Manny had a strong drive to do well on his math test, so he spent the weekend studying instead of playing with his friends.*

## <sup>24</sup> **excelled**

Excelled means did extremely well at something. *We picked her to be on our softball team because she excelled at the sport.*

## <sup>27</sup> **fueled**

Fueled means caused something to increase or spread. *When I saw the man eating the sandwich, it fueled my hunger; I was even hungrier than I had been before.*

## <sup>23</sup> **master**

Master means to become very good or skilled at doing something. *After about 30 minutes of practice, Ellie was able to master the art of shuffling cards.*

## <sup>20</sup> **NBA**

The NBA is the National Basketball Association, a league of professional basketball teams.

## <sup>22</sup> **professional**

Professional means a type of job or activity that a person is paid to do. *Brett plays professional hockey; he gets paid to play hockey as a job.*

## <sup>25</sup> **standout**

A standout is someone or something that people notice as being better than the rest. *At the bake sale, Gerri's apple pie was the standout; everyone thought it was the best pie there.*

<sup>10</sup>  
**crew**

A crew is a group of people who work together. *The crew worked hard to keep the ship moving in the right direction.*

<sup>12</sup>  
**devil**

In some stories, a devil is an evil being, often with horns and wings.

<sup>11</sup>  
**encountered**

Encountered means came across or met, often unexpectedly. *Although the weather report said the skies would be clear, we encountered snow on our road trip.*

<sup>9</sup>  
**explorer**

An explorer is a person who travels to learn about new places or to discover something. *The explorer followed the river to find out if it led to an easy way to get past the mountains.*

<sup>20</sup>  
**forage**

Forage means to search a large area for food or other things. *People can plant and grow the food they eat, but birds and squirrels forage for food.*

<sup>13</sup>  
**in the flesh**

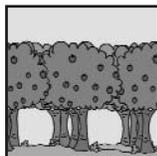
In the flesh means actually there, or present, instead of in a picture, in a story, or in the imagination. *The actor looked tall in the movie, but when I saw him in the flesh, I realized he was very short.*

<sup>18</sup>  
**nectar**

Nectar is the sweet juice that flowers make. *Bees collect nectar to make their honey.*

<sup>22</sup>  
**orchards**

Orchards are farms for growing fruit trees and nut trees. *Thousands of apples are grown at our local apple orchards.*



<sup>19</sup>  
**pollen**

Pollen is small grains of powder made by plants to help them create new plants.



<sup>21</sup>  
**preserving**

Preserving means keeping something from being harmed, damaged, or changed. *Wearing sunscreen is a way of preserving your skin when you are out in the sun.*

<sup>23</sup>  
**relied**

Relied means put trust in or depended on someone or something for help. *Isaac and Ben relied on their alarm clock to wake them in time for school.*

<sup>16</sup>  
**resemble**

Resemble means to look like something or someone else. *The brothers resemble their dad; like their dad, they have dark hair and green eyes.*

<sup>15</sup>  
**took**

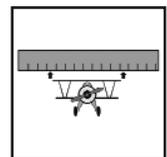
Took means believed something by mistake. *I took him for his brother at first because they look so much alike.*

<sup>14</sup>  
**tropical**

Tropical means found in parts of the world near the equator, where the weather is hot and wet. *Some tropical plants, like coconuts, cannot grow in cold places.*

<sup>17</sup>  
**wingspan**

A wingspan is the distance between the tips of the wings of an airplane, or of an animal with wings. *A large airplane has a greater wingspan than a smaller airplane.*



# The Amber Room

## <sup>25</sup> amber

Amber is a hard material that looks like orange glass and feels like plastic. It is created when liquid from trees hardens over millions of years. *People use small pieces of amber to make jewelry.*

## <sup>29</sup> brittle

Brittle means stiff, but easy to break. *When a tree dies, its branches become brittle, so they are easy to snap off.*

## <sup>33</sup> crates

Crates are boxes, often made of wood; they are used for shipping or storing things.



## <sup>31</sup> disguise

Disguise means to change the look of something so that others will not notice it. *The police officer will disguise himself; instead of wearing a uniform, he will wear plain clothes.*

## <sup>36</sup> fate

A fate is what happened, or what will happen, to someone or something. *After the man got caught robbing the bank, he knew that prison would be his fate.*

## <sup>27</sup> invaded

Invaded means entered by force.

## <sup>30</sup> last resort

A last resort is something you try only after everything else has failed. *Carl likes to do things himself, so he asks for help only as a last resort.*

## <sup>28</sup> loot

Loot means to steal, rob, or carry away something that doesn't belong to you. *After the earthquake, many stores had broken windows and fallen walls, making it easy for people to get in and loot things from the stores.*

## <sup>37</sup> original

Original means the very first or earliest. *The typed copy of the letter is easier to read than the original handwritten letter.*

## <sup>32</sup> panels

Panels are flat pieces of material used to cover something. *Instead of wallpaper, we have oak panels covering the walls of our kitchen.*



## <sup>35</sup> replica

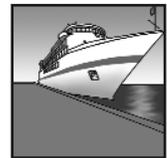
A replica is a close copy of something. *The museum displayed a replica of the famous painting; few people could tell that it was not the real painting.*

## <sup>26</sup> Second World War

The Second World War was a major war that lasted from 1939 to 1945. The war involved many countries from all over the world.

## <sup>34</sup> vessel

A vessel is a ship or large boat that travels on water. *A steamboat is a vessel, and so is a submarine.*



## <sup>24</sup> visualize

Visualize means to picture something in your mind. *Even though the garden is bare right now, I can close my eyes and visualize rows and rows of beautiful flowers in it.*

## <sup>15</sup> appeared

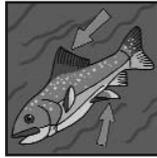
Appeared means seemed or looked like. *She appeared to be happy, because she had a smile on her face.*

## <sup>10</sup> catch

A catch is something that has been captured or trapped, often a fish. *When the man pulled the huge fish into his boat, he knew this one catch would feed his whole family.*

## <sup>14</sup> fins

Fins are flat, wing-shaped body parts that stick out of many fish and some other animals. *Fish use their fins to help them move through the water.*



## <sup>19</sup> fossils

Fossils are what is left of plants and animals that have been dead a very long time. *The museum has fossils of plants that lived millions of years ago.*



## <sup>22</sup> link

A link is something that connects or relates one thing to another. *My grandmother is a link to my family's history.*

## <sup>11</sup> museum

A museum is a place that has beautiful, interesting, or unusual things to look at. *We saw dinosaur bones and mummies at the museum.*



## <sup>17</sup> rough

Rough means not exact, not perfect, or not final. *I have a rough idea of what I will do next weekend; I will play tennis, but I don't know where or when.*

## <sup>12</sup> scales

Scales are the hard coverings on the bodies of reptiles and most fish.



## <sup>21</sup> sensation

A sensation is a new, exciting thing that many people are interested in and spend a lot of time talking about. *When Brad came to school with green hair, it caused a sensation; everyone in the school was talking about it.*

## <sup>13</sup> shade

A shade is the lightness or darkness of a color. *Tan is a light shade of brown.*

## <sup>16</sup> species

A species is a certain kind of plant or animal. *A lion is one species of cat; a tiger is another.*

## <sup>20</sup> specimen

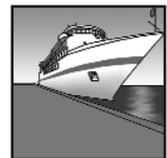
A specimen is an example or sample that shows what something is like. *My feather collection includes one specimen from the tail of a peacock.*

## <sup>18</sup> suspected

Suspected means had a feeling or belief about something. *When I saw that the cookies were gone, I suspected that my dad ate them, because he loves cookies.*

## <sup>9</sup> vessel

A vessel is a ship or large boat that travels on water. *A steamboat is a vessel, and so is a submarine.*



<sup>33</sup>  
**armonica**

The name armonica comes from the Italian word for harmony. Harmony is a combination of musical sounds that are pleasing to hear.

<sup>32</sup>  
**arranged**

Arranged means placed in a particular way. *The markers in the box were arranged in the order of the colors in a rainbow.*

<sup>34</sup>  
**celebrated**

Celebrated means well-known and respected by many people. *The celebrated children's writer Dr. Seuss wrote many books that have stayed popular for years.*

<sup>35</sup>  
**composers**

Composers are people who write music.

<sup>36</sup>  
**eventually**

Eventually means after a long time. *I looked everywhere for my eyeglasses, and eventually I found them on my head.*

<sup>37</sup>  
**fans**

Fans are people who like a person or thing very much. *They were real basketball fans; they went to every game.*

<sup>27</sup>  
**improve**

Improve means to make something better. *Sue studied her addition and subtraction facts to improve her math grade.*

<sup>29</sup>  
**instrument**

An instrument is something that is used to make music. *A drum is a loud instrument.*



<sup>25</sup>  
**musician**

A musician is a person who makes music. *My brother is a musician; he plays the trumpet in a band.*



<sup>26</sup>  
**notes**

Notes are musical sounds. *You can play all the notes on the piano by pressing on each of the keys.*

<sup>24</sup>  
**performance**

A performance is a show or demonstration of skill that takes place while people watch. *It was fun to watch the skater's performance, which included several difficult leaps and spins.*

<sup>31</sup>  
**threaded**

Threaded means connected things by running something like a thread or string through them. *Leah threaded beads onto a piece of string to make a necklace.*

<sup>30</sup>  
**tuning**

Tuning means adjusting an instrument so that it makes the right notes. *One of the strings on my guitar sounded lower than it should have, so I knew the guitar needed tuning.*

<sup>23</sup>  
**unusual**

If something is unusual, it is strange or different from what you see most of the time.

<sup>28</sup>  
**version**

A version is one form of something. *I liked the new color version of the movie better than the old black-and-white version.*

<sup>13</sup>  
**aim**

Aim means to put something into a position that makes it likely that you can hit a target. *I will aim my water gun so that I can spray my sister.*

<sup>19</sup>  
**breadwinner**

A breadwinner is a person who earns money to buy food and other things the person's family needs.

<sup>15</sup>  
**broke**

Broke means beat or did better than. *Barry broke the record for most home runs; the old record was 70, and Barry hit 73.*

<sup>17</sup>  
**eventually**

Eventually means after a long time. *I looked everywhere for my eyeglasses, and eventually I found them on my head.*

<sup>14</sup>  
**fire**

Fire means to shoot a weapon. *The police officer will fire his weapon only if a life is in danger.*

<sup>18</sup>  
**game animals**

Game animals are animals that people hunt, such as squirrels, rabbits, or quail.

<sup>9</sup>  
**legend**

A legend is a famous person whom people tell stories about. *Billie Jean King was a tennis legend; people told stories about how good she was at playing tennis.*

<sup>20</sup>  
**mortgage**

A mortgage is an agreement to borrow money from a bank in order to buy property. If the borrower does not pay back the money, the bank can take the property away. *I still owe the bank \$5,000 on my mortgage.*

<sup>11</sup>  
**paces**

Paces are steps a person takes, often to measure a distance. *I told my friend to back up, so he moved ten paces away from me.*

<sup>12</sup>  
**playing card**

A playing card is a flat piece of stiff paper with printing on it. People use sets of playing cards to play many different games.



<sup>10</sup>  
**sharpshooters**

Sharpshooters are people who are very skilled at shooting guns.

<sup>16</sup>  
**shot**

A shot is a chance to hit something by shooting at it, usually with a gun. *I had a clear shot at the target; I could easily hit it.*

<sup>22</sup>  
**show business**

Show business is all the jobs having to do with movies, television, theater, and other forms of entertainment.

<sup>21</sup>  
**talents**

Talents are abilities or things someone does very well. *Singing and dancing are two of Katie's talents that helped her win the competition.*

## <sup>37</sup> **assassin**

An assassin is someone who kills an important person, usually for political reasons or for money. *An assassin shot and killed Abraham Lincoln at a theater in 1865.*

## <sup>35</sup> **barriers**

Barriers are things that get in the way of something happening. *Poor reading and writing skills can be barriers to finding a good job.*

## <sup>31</sup> **boycott**

A boycott is when people protest against a person or group by refusing to do business with them. *People held a boycott against the company; they didn't buy anything from the company until the company agreed to clean up the river it had polluted.*

## <sup>29</sup> **communities**

Communities are groups of people. A community lives in the same area under the same government. *During the flood, people from the town had to move to nearby communities until the flood waters went down.*

## <sup>28</sup> **discrimination**

Discrimination is the act of treating people differently than others for unfair reasons. *Not allowing women to vote, just because they were women, was discrimination.*

## <sup>25</sup> **equality**

Equality means everyone is treated the same.

## <sup>27</sup> **long-standing**

Long-standing means existing for a long time. *The two countries had a long-standing disagreement, going back 200 years, over ownership of an island.*

## <sup>33</sup> **major**

Major means very large or important. *The Fourth of July is a major holiday in the United States.*

## <sup>26</sup> **movement**

A movement is the activities of many people working together to make changes in their society. *Workers started a movement to make factories safer; they held marches and wrote letters to company owners.*

## <sup>36</sup> **registering**

Registering means getting your name on a list so you can do something. *Registering to take the class involved filling out a form, getting the teacher to sign the form, and getting the office to stamp the form.*

## <sup>24</sup> **religions**

Religions are sets of beliefs about the cause and purpose of humans and the universe. Religions often include the worship of one or more beings. *Christianity and Hinduism are examples of two different religions.*

## <sup>30</sup> **required**

Required means had to, or were ordered or forced to do something. *The students were required by their teacher to finish their assignments before they could go outside.*

## <sup>23</sup> **rights**

When we say people have rights, we mean people are able to do or have certain things, such as freedom. *We have many rights, including the right to say what we think.*

## <sup>32</sup> **ruled**

Ruled means decided on the meaning or fairness of a law. *The judge ruled that the law against using weapons included throwing rocks.*

## <sup>34</sup> **society**

A society is a group or community of people. People living in the same society usually speak the same language, share customs, and dress in similar ways.

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## <sup>10</sup> **area**

An area is a part of a place that has a special use. *The family set up the tent in the camping area of the park.*

## <sup>23</sup> **creatures**

Creatures are living animals or human beings. *Some people think snakes and spiders are ugly creatures.*

## <sup>11</sup> **disturbing**

Disturbing means upsetting, troubling, or causing worry. *The dog's cry was disturbing; I was worried that the dog was hurt.*

## <sup>19</sup> **doubted**

Doubted means thought that something might not be true or right. *David said he finished reading the book, but Chris doubted it because David didn't know how the story ended.*

## <sup>13</sup> **drew**

Drew means pulled or took in. *She drew the puppy into her arms and held it close.*

## <sup>16</sup> **gripped**

If a feeling gripped you, that feeling held your attention and you felt it very strongly. *Sadness gripped Kelly when her dog ran away; she couldn't do anything but lie in bed and cry.*

## <sup>18</sup> **highly**

Highly means very. *Rosa is highly intelligent; she is the smartest student in my class.*

## <sup>22</sup> **intense**

Intense means strong, sharp, or extreme. *Poison ivy can cause intense itching; if you touch it, you may itch badly for days.*

## <sup>9</sup> **lifeguards**

Lifeguards are people who watch swimmers and try to quickly help them if the swimmers have problems.



## <sup>15</sup> **panic**

Panic is a sudden, strong feeling of fear that can cause a person to stop thinking clearly. *The news that a hurricane was coming caused panic; people left everything behind in their rush to leave town.*

## <sup>14</sup> **rapidly**

Rapidly means quickly.

## <sup>20</sup> **responsible**

If something was responsible for another thing, it caused that thing to happen. *Bad weather was responsible for our trip being canceled; snow and ice made driving too dangerous.*

## <sup>12</sup> **rowed**

Rowed means used oars to make a boat go.

## <sup>17</sup> **skeptical**

Skeptical means not sure about something or having doubts about it. *I was skeptical about Helga's offer; it seemed too good to be true.*

## <sup>21</sup> **widespread**

Widespread means happening over a large area. *News of the election is widespread; everyone in the country has heard about it.*

## <sup>38</sup> **beneficial**

Beneficial means helpful or useful. *Exercise is beneficial to your health because it helps your muscles stay strong.*

## <sup>27</sup> **career**

A career is all the jobs a person has had that relate to a certain kind of work. Before starting a career, a person often has to train for it. *My grandpa has had a long career as a doctor; he has worked at four different hospitals over the last 35 years.*

## <sup>28</sup> **centered**

Centered means put the most attention on. *Rose's story about the soccer game centered on the coaches instead of the players.*

## <sup>34</sup> **crop rotation**

Crop rotation is the planting of different crops during different years. Crop rotation is a way of keeping the land healthy. *The farmer planted a new crop every three years because he knew crop rotation would make the soil rich again.*

## <sup>29</sup> **depleted**

Depleted means used up or emptied out. *Raul depleted all the funds in his bank account, so he could not write checks to pay his bills.*

## <sup>37</sup> **developed**

Developed means made something by carefully working on it. *The coach developed plays and strategies for the football team.*

## <sup>35</sup> **enrich**

Enrich means to add ingredients to the soil to make it a better food for plants. *American Indians showed European settlers how to enrich the soil for their crops by burying fish with the seeds they were planting.*

## <sup>36</sup> **fertile**

Fertile means able to produce offspring, seeds, fruit, or crops. *The fertile apple tree produced many apples.*

## <sup>24</sup> **instant coffee**

Instant coffee is a powder that you can add to hot water to quickly make a coffee-flavored drink.

## <sup>32</sup> **low-cost**

Low-cost means possible to do or buy without spending much money. *The low-cost soap is only half the price of most other soaps.*

## <sup>30</sup> **nutrients**

Nutrients are substances that feed plants or animals and help them grow. *Many people think eating beef is good for them because beef contains nutrients like iron and vitamin B.*

## <sup>33</sup> **process**

A process is a series of steps in doing something. *Washing, drying, and folding clothes are all parts of Mom's laundry process.*

## <sup>39</sup> **productivity**

Productivity is a measure of how much work someone or something can do in a certain amount of time. *Seth wants to improve the productivity of his bakery; right now he can make 30 cakes a day, but he wants to make 50 a day.*

## <sup>25</sup> **products**

Products are things that are made by nature or people. *Paper plates and paper cups are products made of paper.*

## <sup>26</sup> **professor**

A professor is a teacher of high rank at a college or university. *After college, Amy wrote a letter to her favorite professor, thanking him for everything he taught her.*

## <sup>31</sup> **resolve**

Resolve means to find a solution. *To resolve the problem of getting across the river, we made a raft out of logs.*

## <sup>22</sup> adventure

An adventure is a new or exciting experience that a person has. *I had a fun adventure this weekend: I went skydiving!*

## <sup>20</sup> annual

Annual means happening once a year. *The annual St. Patrick's Day parade happens every year on March 17.*

## <sup>14</sup> competitors

Competitors are people or teams who are against one another in a contest or game. *The spelling bee will start with 30 competitors, but only one person can win.*

## <sup>10</sup> continent

A continent is one of the seven major land masses on Earth: Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, South America, Australia, and Antarctica.



## <sup>19</sup> determined

Determined means having strength and willingness to do something even when it is difficult. *He was determined to climb to the top of a steep mountain.*

## <sup>17</sup> developed

Developed means began to suffer from something or began to be affected by something. *The boy caught a cold and soon developed a bad cough.*

## <sup>11</sup> distance

Distance is the length or amount of space between two points. *The distance between my house and my school is about three miles.*

## <sup>16</sup> exhaustion

Exhaustion is a feeling of great tiredness. *I was close to exhaustion after I ran the long race; I was so tired that I could barely stand.*

## <sup>15</sup> grueling

Grueling means very tiring or requiring a lot of effort. *Climbing a mountain is a grueling activity; it takes a lot of energy.*

## <sup>9</sup> participate

Participate means to take part in, join, or get involved in something. *The actors participate in the play, and the people in the audience come to watch.*

## <sup>18</sup> physical

Physical means having to do with the body. *Ice-skating is good physical exercise.*

## <sup>13</sup> set

Set means established or already decided. *Leah wakes up at a set time each morning; her alarm clock always goes off at 7:30.*

## <sup>12</sup> stages

Stages are parts of a journey. *My vacation had two stages; I relaxed on the beach for a few days, and then I spent a few days going to museums.*

## <sup>21</sup> toll

A toll is the amount of harm or difficulty that something causes. *The bike crash took a heavy toll on his body; he could not walk for a week.*

## <sup>24</sup> **accepted**

To be accepted means to be allowed to join a group. *I was accepted into the club as a new member.*

## <sup>36</sup> **advised**

Advised means gave an idea or a thought about what to do in a certain situation. *Ted advised Nancy to bring an umbrella to work because a rainstorm was coming.*

## <sup>28</sup> **comfortable**

Comfortable means better than what is needed. *Teresa could enjoy a comfortable life because her family had more than enough money.*

## <sup>29</sup> **difference**

A difference is a way that two or more things are not the same. *One difference between my sister and me is that she has red hair and I have brown hair.*

## <sup>25</sup> **elite**

Elite means the best, wealthiest, or most skilled.

## <sup>33</sup> **glimpses**

Glimpses are small or incomplete ideas of what something is like. *The magazine article gave glimpses of the President's life, but I would like to know more details.*

## <sup>30</sup> **poetic**

Poetic means carefully worded and very descriptive, like poetry. *Rose talked about the clouds in a poetic way that helped me see exactly what she meant; she called the clouds piles of clean, fresh lambs' wool.*

## <sup>37</sup> **realize**

Realize means to learn or come to know something that you did not know before. *I will hurry if I realize I am late.*

## <sup>26</sup> **rented**

If something is rented, it does not belong to you; instead, you pay the owner to use it for a certain amount of time. *Chuck didn't have any dress clothes to wear to the wedding, so he had to use a rented suit.*

## <sup>34</sup> **required reading**

Required reading is reading that someone has to do because it is part of their school work or part of a job assignment. *The book Tom Sawyer is required reading in eighth grade Language Arts class, so all eighth grade students have to read it.*

## <sup>27</sup> **rough**

Rough means characterized by unpleasant conditions or by violent behavior and crime. *In the rough part of town, many windows and lights were broken, and robberies and street fights were more common than in my neighborhood.*

## <sup>23</sup> **sense**

A sense is a skill or an understanding of how to do something. *Driving lessons helped me to develop a better sense for how to drive safely in fast traffic.*

## <sup>31</sup> **style**

Style is a certain look that something has or a certain way that someone does something. *The artist's style made it easy to recognize his paintings; they all have dark colors.*

## <sup>32</sup> **surroundings**

Surroundings are the things that are near someone or something. *At school, my surroundings include desks, teachers, and other students.*

## <sup>35</sup> **voice**

Voice is an author's style of writing. Voice shows the author's attitude, personality, or character and makes the author's work different from other authors' work.

