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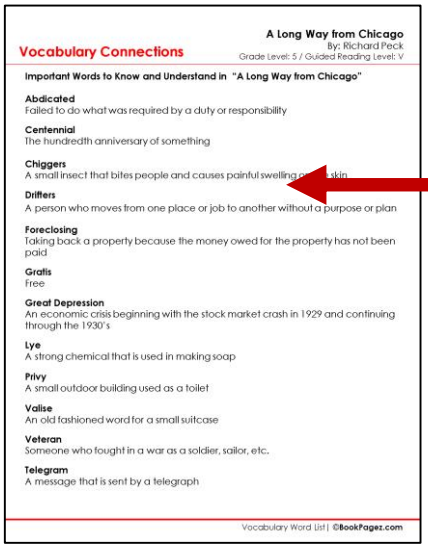

Vocabulary Connections

A Long Way from Chicago
By: Richard Peck
Grade Level: 5 / Guided Reading Level: V

Important Words to Know and Understand in "A Long Way from Chicago"

Abdicated
Failed to do what was required by a duty or responsibility

Centennial
The hundredth anniversary of something

Chiggers
A small insect that bites people and causes painful swelling on the skin

Drifters
A person who moves from one place or job to another without a purpose or plan

Foreclosing
Taking back a property because the money owed for the property has not been paid

Gratis
Free

Great Depression
An economic crisis beginning with the stock market crash in 1929 and continuing through the 1930's

Lye
A strong chemical that is used in making soap

Privy
A small outdoor building used as a toilet

Valise
An old fashioned word for a small suitcase

Veteran
Someone who fought in a war as a soldier, sailor, etc.

Telegram
A message that is sent by a telegraph

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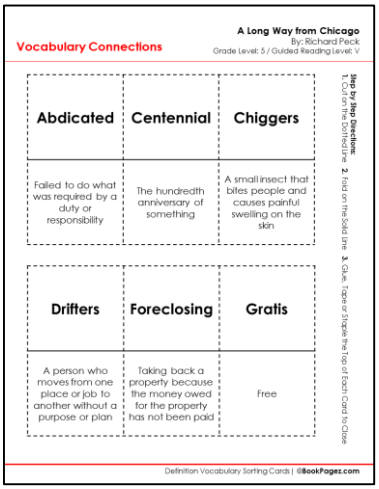

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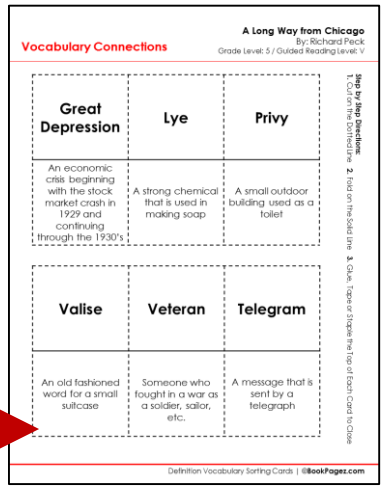

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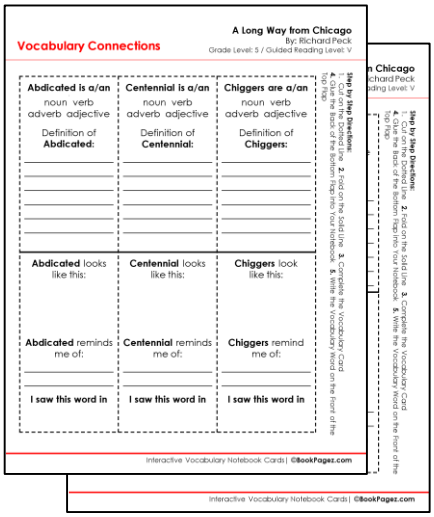

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Abdicated is a/an	Centennial is a/an	Chiggers are a/an
noun verb adverb adjective	noun verb adverb adjective	noun verb adverb adjective
Definition of **Abdicated:**	Definition of **Centennial:**	Definition of **Chiggers:**
Abdicated looks like this:	**Centennial** looks like this:	**Chiggers** look like this:
Abdicated reminds me of:	**Centennial** reminds me of:	**Chiggers** remind me of:
I saw this word in	I saw this word in	I saw this word in

Step by Step Directions: 1. Cut on the Dotted Line. 2. Fold on the Solid Line. 3. Complete the Vocabulary Card. 4. Glue the Back of the Bottom Flap into Your Notebook. 5. Write the Vocabulary Word on the Front of the Top Flap.

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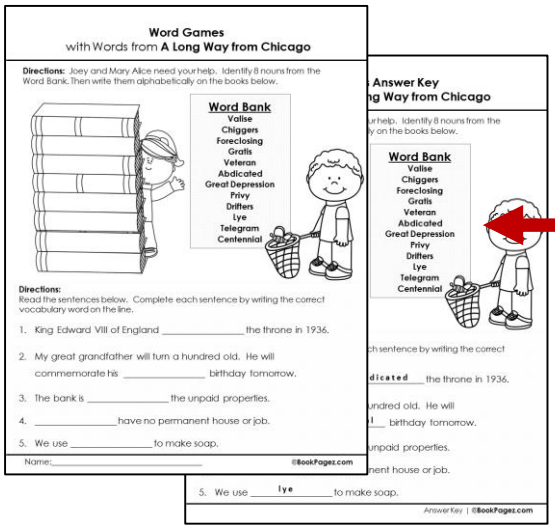

Word Games
with Words from **A Long Way from Chicago**

Directions: Joey and Mary Alice need your help. Identify 8 nouns from the Word Bank. Then write them alphabetically on the books below.

Word Bank
Valise
Chiggers
Foreclosing
Gratis
Veteran
Abdicated
Great Depression
Privy
Drifters
Lye
Telegram
Centennial

Directions:
Read the sentences below. Complete each sentence by writing the correct vocabulary word on the line.

1. King Edward VIII of England _____ the throne in 1936.
2. My great grandfather will turn a hundred old. He will commemorate his _____ birthday tomorrow.
3. The bank is _____ the unpaid properties.
4. _____ have no permanent house or job.
5. We use _____ to make soap.

Name:_____ ©BookPagez.com

Answer Key
A Long Way from Chicago

Word Bank
Valise
Chiggers
Foreclosing
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Great Depression
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5. We use lye to make soap.

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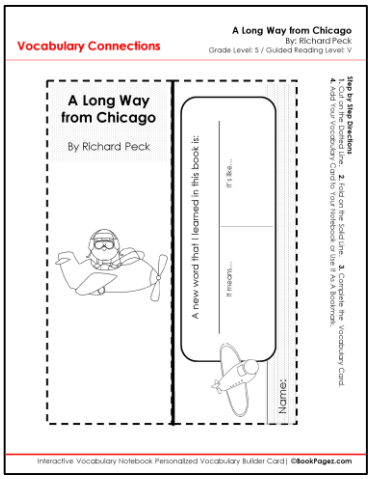
Word Games and Answer Key



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A new word that I learned in this book is:
It's like...
It means...
Name:

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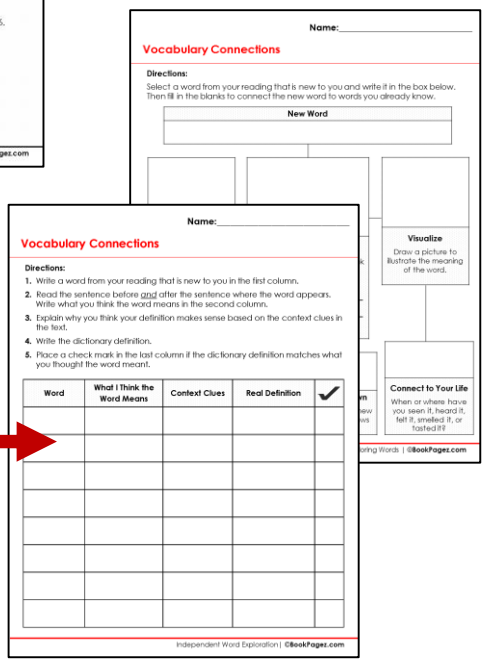
Personalized Vocabulary Bookmark



Name:_____

Vocabulary Connections

Directions:
Select a word from your reading that is new to you and write it in the box below. Then fill in the blanks to connect the new word to words you already know.

New Word

Visualize
Draw a picture to illustrate the meaning of the word.

Connect to Your Life
When or where have you seen it, heard it, felt it, smelled it, or tasted it?

Name:_____

Vocabulary Connections

Directions:
1. Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
2. Read the sentence before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
3. Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
4. Write the dictionary definition.
5. Place a check mark in the last column if the dictionary definition matches what you thought the word meant.

Word	What I Think the Word Means	Context Clues	Real Definition	✔

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Vocabulary Word Extension Activities