

Vocabulary Connections Resources

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Because of Winn-Dixie
By: Kate DiCamillo
Grade Level: 4 / Guided Reading Level: R

Important Words to Know and Understand in "Because of Winn-Dixie"

Applauded (pg. 38)
To have clapped in order to show approval or praise

Charming (pg. 85)
Very pleasing or appealing

Cocked (pg. 77)
To turn, tip or raise something upward or to one side

Crinkly (pg. 63)
To have small think lines on its surface

Drowned (pg. 134)
To die by being underwater too long and unable to breathe

Lozenge (pg. 111)
A small candy that usually contains medicine

Missionary (pg. 13)
A person who is sent to a foreign country to do religious work

Notion (pg. 105)
An idea or opinion

Peculiar (pg. 45)
Odd

Platter (pg. 155)
A large plate that is used for serving food and especially meat

Predict (pg. 154)
To say that (something) will or might happen in the future

Strummed (pg. 182)
To play (a guitar or similar instrument) by moving your fingers across the strings

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Word and Definition Sorting Cards

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| Missionary is a/an noun verb adverb adjective Definition of Missionary : | Notion is a/an noun verb adverb adjective Definition of Notion : | Peculiar is a/an noun verb adverb adjective Definition of Peculiar : |
| Missionary looks like this: | Notion looks like this: | Peculiar looks like this: |
| Missionary reminds me of: | Notion reminds me of: | Peculiar reminds me of: |
| I saw this word in | I saw this word in | I saw this word in |

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Word Games with Words from Because of Winn-Dixie

Directions:

- Help Miss Franny and Opal arrange her stack of books according to ABC order. Write the words in ABC order on the lines below.
- Then color each book using the following code:
Noun = Pink, Adjective = Yellow, Verb = Blue

Answer Key

her stack of books according to ABC on the lines below using code: N = Blue

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Word Games and Answer Key

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A new word word I learned from this book is: _____

Name: _____

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Directions:

- Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
- Read the sentence before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
- Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
- Write the dictionary definition.
- 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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