

Vocabulary - *Huckleberry Finn* Chapters 32-33

Part I: Using Prior Knowledge and Contextual Clues

Below are the sentences in which the vocabulary words above appear in the text. Read the sentence. Use any clues you can find in the sentence combined with your prior knowledge, and write what you think the underlined words mean on the lines provided.

1. Yes, I remember now, he did die. Mortification set in, and they had to amputate him.
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2. Yes, I remember now, he did die. Mortification set in, and they had to amputate him.
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3. "My land!" she says, breaking in and jumping for him, "you impudent young rascal, to fool a body so-"
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4. "Uneasy!" she says; "I'm ready to go distracted!"
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5. I must go up the road and waylay him.
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Part II: Determining the Meaning

You have tried to figure out the meanings of the vocabulary words for Chapters 32-33. Now match the vocabulary words to their dictionary definitions. If there are words for which you cannot figure out the definition by contextual clues and by process of elimination, look them up in a dictionary.

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| ___ 1. impudent      | A. death of part of a body while the rest is alive |
| ___ 2. mortification | B. impertinent, offensively forward                |
| ___ 3. amputate      | C. to cut off                                      |
| ___ 4. distracted    | D. pulled in conflicting emotional directions      |
| ___ 5. waylay        | E. to lie in wait for and attack from ambush       |

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1. ...I couldn't see no advantage in my representing a prisoner if I got to set down and chaw over a lot of gold-leaf distinctions like that every time I see a chance to hog a watermelon.
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2. "Huck Finn, did you *ever* hear of a prisoner having picks and shovels and all the modern conveniences in his wardrobe to dig himself out with?"
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3. "Confound it, it's foolish, Tom."
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4. Then he went to work on the nigger, coaxing him and petting him and asking him if he'd been imagining he saw something again.
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5. She kept a-raging right along, running her insurrection all by herself, and everybody else mighty meek and quiet...
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6. But she counted and counted till she got that addled she'd start to county in the *basket* for a spoon sometimes...
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7. It was most pesky tedious hard work and slow
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8. ...and Jim'll take Aunt Sally's gown off of me and wear it and we'll all evade together.
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Vocabulary - *Huckleberry Finn* Chapters 34-39 Continued

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| ___ 1. distinctions | A. confused   |
| ___ 2. conveniences | B. to obtain by persistent persuasion                 |
| ___ 3. confound     | C. the act of open revolt                             |
| ___ 4. coaxing      | D. tiresome by reason of length, slowness or dullness |
| ___ 5. insurrection | E. to avoid performing                                |
| ___ 6. addled       | F. differentiation                                    |
| ___ 7. tedious      | G. things that increase comfort or save work          |
| ___ 8. evade        | H. to cause to become confused or perplexed           |