

Vocabulary

Chapter 1

Enthusiastic p.3 *adjective* – strong excitement or feeling

Lurching p.4 *verb* – abrupt jerking, swaying or tipping movement

Resentfully p.4 *adverb* – to feel or express annoyance or ill will

Sailing-dinghies p.5 *noun* – a small boat carried on or being towed by a larger boat; a small lifeboat

Quay p.5 *noun* - structure built parallel to the bank of a waterway for use as a landing place

Tolerantly p.6 *adverb* – inclined to put up with something or someone

Amiably p.7 *adverb* – friendly, sociable, and congenial

Sullenly p.8 *adverb* – gloomily or resentfully silent or repressed

Indignantly p.8 *adverb* – feeling or showing anger because of something unjust or unworthy

Belligerently p.8 *adverb* – inclined to or exhibiting assertiveness, hostility or combativeness

Pilchard p.11 *noun* – a fish of the herring family that occurs in great schools; sardine

Chapter 2

Imperturbably p.12 *adverb* – marked by extreme calm, impassivity, and steadiness; serene

Eddied p.12 *verb* – to cause to move in an eddy or current of water contrary to the main current

Obstinate p.13 *adjective* – stubbornly adhering to an opinion, purpose, or course in spite of reason or arguments

Forbiddingly p.13 *adverb* – disagreeable; grim

Morosely p.13 *adverb* – having a sullen or gloomy disposition

Provisions p.14 *noun*- a stock of needed materials or food

Cannibals p.16 *noun* – one that eats the flesh of its own kind

Reluctantly p.16 *adverb* – with hesitation or aversion

Sepulchrally p.17 *adverb* – bleak; cheerless

Alcove p.18 *noun* – a small recessed section of a room; nook

Chapter 3

Ineffectually p.20 *adverb* – not producing the proper or intended effect; futile

Exaggerated p.22 *adjective* – enlarged or increased beyond the normal; overstated

Flourishing p.23 *adjective* – marked by vigorous and healthy growth

Ostentatiously p.23 *adverb* – attracting or seeking to attract attention, admiration, or envy

Dobloons p.25 *noun* – an old gold coin of Spain and Spanish America

Brooding p.28 *adjective*- moodily or sullenly thoughtful or serious

Contralto p.28 *noun* – a singing voice having a range between a tenor and mezzo-soprano

Ruefully p.32 *adverb* – causing pity or sympathy

Casualties p.33 *noun*- a person or thing injured, lost, or destroyed

Chapter 4

Ominously p.34 *adverb* – being or exhibiting an omen; foreboding or foreshadowing evil

Subdued p.36 *adjective* – lacking in vitality, intensity, or strength

Benevolently p.40 *adverb* – marked by or disposed to doing good

Laconically p.41 *adverb* – concise to the point of seeming rude or mysterious; brief

Repute p.45 *noun* – the character of status commonly ascribed to one; reputation

Chapter 5

Aghast p.48 *adjective* – struck with terror, amazement, or horror; shocked and upset

Incredulously p.48 *adverb* – unwilling to admit or accept what is offered as true; skeptical

Poltergeist p.49 *noun*- a noisy usually mischievous ghost held to be responsible for unexplained noises

Prodigiously p.50 *adverb* – causing amazement or wonder

Befuddled p.50 *adjective* – utterly confused or puzzled

Placidly p.51 *adverb* – serenely free of interruption or disturbance; calm; unperturbed

Chapter 6

Magisterial p.59 *adjective* – having the characteristics of a master or teacher

Reverie p.66 *noun* – the condition of being lost in thought; to daydream

Alibi p.69 *noun*- the fact or state of having been elsewhere at the time of a crime

Eccentric p.69 *adjective* – deviating from conventional or accepted usage or conduct especially in odd or whimsical ways

Chapter 7

Despondently p.73 *adverb* – feeling or showing extreme discouragement, dejection, or depression

Insolent p.75 *adjective* – insultingly contemptuous in speech or conduct; overbearing; exhibiting boldness

Rucksack p.77 *noun* - knapsack

Doleful p.78 *adjective* – full of grief; cheerless

Petulant p.78 *adjective* – insolent or rude in speech or behavior

Obligingly p.80 *adverb* – willing to do favors; helpful

Stile p.82 *noun* – a step or set of steps for passing over a fence or wall

Implacable p.85 *adjective* – not capable of being appeased; immovable

Chapter 8

Disconcertingly p.89 *adverb* – to throw into confusion

Querulously p.91 *adverb* – habitually complaining; whining

Statuesque p.92 *adjective* – resembling a statue especially in dignity, shapeliness, or stillness

Paternally p.94 *adverb* – of or relating to a father

Patriarch p.94 *noun* – one of the scriptural fathers of the human race or of the Hebrew people

Sentimentally p.94 *adverb* – marked or governed by feeling, sensibility, or emotional idealism

Reproachfully p.95 *adverb* – an expression of rebuke or disapproval

Overawed p.99 *verb* – to restrain or subdue by awe

Refuge p.102 *noun* – shelter or protection from danger or distress

Chapter 9

Imperceptible p.106 *adjective* – not perceptible by a sense or by the mind: extremely slight, gradual, or subtle

Sceptically (skeptically) p.108 *adverb* – an attitude of doubt or a disposition to incredulity either in general or toward a particular object

Chapter 10

Reverently p.119 *adverb* – honor or respect felt or shown

Barnacles p.124 *noun* – any of numerous marine crustaceans with feathery appendages for gathering food that are free-swimming as larvae but permanently fixed (as to rocks, boat hulls, or whales) as adults

Consternation p.124 *noun* – amazement or dismay that hinders or throws into confusion

Chapter 11

Festooned p.128 *verb* – to hang from a decorative chain or strip hanging between two points

Nobbled p.131 *verb* – to get caught

Chapter 12

Hussar p.135 *noun* – a member of any various European military unit originally modeled on the Hungarian light cavalry of the 15th century

Arrogant p.138 *adjective* – to exaggerate one's own worth or importance often by an overbearing manner

Bemused p.141 *adjective* – marked by confusion or bewilderment; dazed

Obsequiously p.144 *adverb* – marked by or exhibiting a fawning attentiveness

Sacred p.147 *adjective* – entitled to reverence and respect; highly valued and important

Chapter 13

Apathetically p.149 *adverb* – having or showing little or no feeling or emotion

Bewilderment p.150 *noun* – the quality or state of being lost, perplexed, or confused

Irresolute p.154 *adjective* – uncertain how to act or proceed

Conviction p.155 *noun* – a strong persuasion or belief

Crevasse p.162 *noun* – a deep crevice or fissure

Chapter 14

Draught p. 168 *noun* – a draft

Insidious p.181 *adjective* – having a gradual and cumulative effect; subtle

Forlornly p.185 *adverb* – being in poor condition