

## Vocabulary

### Chapter 1

Meticulously p.1 *adjective* – extreme or excessive care in the consideration or treatment of the details

Exasperation p.2 *noun* – having feelings of annoyance or irritation

Concession p.2 *noun* – something agreed to usually grudgingly in order to reach an agreement or improve a situation

Prospects p.2 *noun* – something that is awaited or expected; anticipation

Intriguing p.2 *adjective* – engaging the interest to a marked degree; fascinating

Admonished p.2 *verb* – to express warning or disapproval in a gentle or earnest way

Disposition p.2 *noun* – mood; the tendency to act in a certain manner under given circumstances

Raucous p.3 *adjective* – boisterous; rowdy

Pensively p.3 *adjective* – thoughtful

Plantation p.3 *noun* – an agricultural estate usually worked by resident labor

Emaciated p.4 *adjective* – very thin and feeble especially from lack of nutrition or illness

Morosely p.7 *adjective* – having a sullen and gloomy disposition

Amiably p.7 *adverb* – being friendly, good-natured

Disdainfully p.7 *adverb* – full of or expressing contempt for someone or something regarded as unworthy or inferior; expressing scorn

Associating p.9 *verb* – to join as a partner, friend, or companion

Loitering p.10 *verb* – to remain in an area for no obvious reason; to lag behind

Sharecropped p.10 *verb* – land where a tenant farmer especially in the southern U.S. who is provided with credit for seed, tools, living quarters, and food, who works the land, and who receives an agreed share of the value of the crop minus charges

Tarpaulin p.13 *noun* – a piece of material used especially for protecting exposed objects or areas

Dubious p.14 *adjective* – unsettled in opinion; doubtful; uncertain

Unveiling p.14 *verb* – to remove a veil or covering from

Penchant p.15 *noun* – a strong and continued inclination

Monotonously p.15 *adverb* – marked by a sameness of pitch; unvarying; tediously uniform

Temerity p.16 *noun* – unreasonable or foolhardy contempt of danger or opposition; recklessness

Maverick p.22 *noun* – an independent individual who doesn't go along with a group or party

Imperiously p.22 *adjective* – characteristic of one of eminent rank; marked by arrogant assurance

## Chapter 2

Ginned p.24 *verb* – to separate seeds from cotton in a cotton gin

Formidable p.25 *adjective* – tending to inspire awe or wonder

Chiffonier p.26 *noun*- a high narrow chest of drawers

## Chapter 3

Emitted p.31 *verb* – to give off

Humiliation p.32 *verb* – to reduce someone to a lower position in one’s own eyes or others’ eyes; to make someone ashamed or embarrassed

Embittered p.33 *verb* – to excite bitter feelings in

Outwit p.34 *verb* – to get the better of by superior cleverness; outsmart

Flippantly p.35 *adjective* – lacking proper respect or seriousness

Hastily p.36 *adverb* - hurriedly

Conspiratorily (conspiratorially) p.37 *adjective* – of relating to, or suggestive of a conspiracy; the act to work together to secretly devise an evil or treacherous end

Oblivious p.38 *adjective* – lacking active conscious knowledge or awareness

Disgruntled p.41 *adjective* – unhappy or annoyed

Defiantly p.42 *adverb* – a way that is full of or shows a disposition to challenge, resist, or fight

Gloat p.43 *verb* – to observe or think about something with triumphant and often malicious satisfaction, gratification, or delight

Precariously p.49 *adjective* – characterized by a lack of security or stability that threatens with danger

## Chapter 4

Beckoned p.63 *verb* – to summon or signal typically with a wave or nod

Woefully p.65 *adjective* – very bad or serious; involving or bringing woe

Carpentry p.68 *noun* – the art of shaping and assembling woodwork; trade of a carpenter

Emphatic p.70 *adjective* – uttered with or marked by emphasis

Vex p.71 *verb* – to bring trouble, distress or agitation to

Penetrate p.74 *verb* – to pass into or through

Tenant p.74 *noun* – one who has the occupation of temporary possession of lands of another

Patronize p.74 *verb* – to be a frequent or regular customer

Proprietors p.74 *noun*- a person who has the legal right or exclusive title to something

Solemnly p.75 *adjective* – marked by grave sedateness and earnest sobriety; somber

#### Chapter 5

Obnoxious p.78 *adjective* – highly offensive; unpleasant or harmful

Haughtily p.82 *adjective* – blatantly and disdainfully proud; having or showing an attitude or superiority and contempt for people or things perceived to be inferior

#### Chapter 6

Aloofness p.90 *noun* – the quality or state of being removed or emotionally distant

Confounded p.92 *adjective* – confused; perplexed

Bewildered p.94 *adjective* – deeply or utterly confused or perplexed

Ominously p.94 *adjective* – being or exhibiting an omen; foreboding or foreshadowing evil

Chignon p.98 *noun* – a knot of hair that's worn at the back of the head, at the nape of the neck

Sympathized p.100 *verb* – to share in suffering or grief

Languidly p.104 *adverb* – lacking force or quickness of movement

#### Chapter 7

Interminable p.109 *adjective* – having or seeming to have no end

Mulatto p.116 *noun* – (can be offensive to someone) a person of mixed white and black ancestry

Goaded p.119 *verb* – to egg on; encourage;

Aristocracy p.121 *noun* – a group of people believed to be superior (as in rank, wealth, or intellect)

Eviction p.123 *verb* – to force out

Boycott p.124 *verb* – to engage in a concerted refusal to have dealings with

Insolently p.127 *adverb* – exhibiting boldness

Condoned p.127 *verb* – to regard or treat (something bad) as acceptable, forgivable or harmless

#### Chapter 8

Feigned p.132 *adjective* – not genuine or real

Indignant p.138 *adjective* – feeling or showing anger because of something unjust or unworthy

Reassurance p.141 *noun* – the action of reassuring; comforting

Prophesied p.144 *verb* – to utter by or as if by inspiration; to predict

## Chapter 9

Persnickety p.149 *adjective* – having the characteristics of a snob

Mussed p.151 *verb* – to make untidy

Amenities p.154 *noun* – something (conventional social gesture) that promotes smoothness or pleasantness in social relationships

## Chapter 10

Despondently p.169 *adverb* – feeling or showing extreme discouragement, dejection or depression

Phenomenal p.171 *adjective* – extraordinary; remarkable

Lethargically p.172 *adjective* – of relating to, or characterized by laziness or lack of energy

Reproachfully p.173 *adverb* – to express disappointment in or displeasure with a person for conduct that is in the wrong

Revival p.177 *noun* – an often highly emotional evangelistic meeting or series of meetings

## Chapter 11

Placid p.193 *adjective* – serenely free of interruption or disturbance

Crescendo p.194 *noun* – a gradual increase

## Chapter 12

Traipsing p.197 *verb* – to walk or travel without an apparent plan but with or without a purpose

Mercantile p.197 *noun* – a store to purchase goods and food

Transfixed p.200 *verb* – to hold motionless by or as if by piercing

Acrid p.203 *adjective* – sharp and harsh or unpleasantly pungent in taste or odor

Adamant p.203 *adjective* – unshakeable or insistent especially in maintaining a position or opinion

Wan p.210 *adjective* – sickly; suggestive of poor health