

## Touching Spirit Bear- Chapters 1-3 Vocabulary

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**Directions:** First, locate each word in the text. The page number and sentence has been provided for you. Next, define it by using context clues and a dictionary. Then, identify its part of speech (noun, verb, adjective, or adverb). Finally, create your own sentence correctly using the word. Be sure that the meaning of the new word is clear through the context of your sentence.

1) defiantly pg. 3 "Cole Matthews knelt defiantly in the bow of the aluminum skiff...."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

2) banishment pg. 4 "... Tlingit elder who had helped arrange Cole's banishment."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

3) humility pg. 4 "You'll wear them reversed for the first two weeks of your banishment to show humility and shame."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

4) meekly pg. 20 "Instead, he meekly said, "You shouldn't,"...."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

5) revoked pg. 22 "...his television privileges had been revoked."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

6) barrage pg. 24 "Spewing a barrage of venomous curses...."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

7) sullenly pg. 26 "Cole stared sullenly into the fire, then let his gaze <sup>wander.</sup>"

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_

8) subside pg. 31 "Not until the flames began to subside did his <sup>manic laughter</sup> fade."

Definition: \_\_\_\_\_

Part of Speech: \_\_\_\_\_

Sentence: \_\_\_\_\_



## Prereading Vocabulary

**Instructions:** Use the context clues in the following sentences to determine the meaning of the underlined words.

The probation officer was concerned that Billy would steal a skiff from the harbour.

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| 1. probation officer | a) person monitoring convicted criminals who are out of custody |
|                      | b) guard or nightwatchman                                       |
|                      | c) police officer in plain clothes                              |
| 2. skiff             | a) a lamp   |
|                      | b) a flat-bottomed boat   |
|                      | c) a small car  |

The kidnapper's detainees were covering in the corner of the locked room, afraid of him.

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| 3. detainees | a) accomplices                          |
|              | b) victims                              |
|              | c) prisoners                            |
| 4. covering  | a) crouching from something frightening |
|              | b) humming                              |
|              | c) following along                      |

The prosecutor for the court case believed that there should be an immediate sentencing for the crime.

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| 5. prosecutor | a) the representative of the government who pursues formal charges against the accused |
|               | b) the lawyer who defends an accused criminal in court                                 |
|               | c) the judge who makes a decision on whether a person is innocent or guilty            |
| 6. sentencing | a) a hearing to determine if an individual is innocent or guilty                       |
|               | b) a hearing to determine consequences for a crime                                     |
|               | c) a hearing to determine if an individual should be released from prison              |



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## Prereading Vocabulary...continued

The tight handcuffs chafed against the wrists of the criminal when he was brought into court to plead to the charges against him.

7. chafed
- a) to cut
  - b) to tickle
  - c) to rub and irritate

8. plead
- a) to deny any wrongdoing
  - b) to claim guilt or innocence in a court
  - c) to hire a lawyer

The juvenile delinquent had trouble breathing in the stifling heat of his prison cell.

9. juvenile delinquent\*1
- a) a young person in trouble with the law
  - b) a young person who is frequently late
  - c) a young person who is short for their age
10. stifling
- a) humid
  - b) suffocating
  - c) dry

Tim was so tired he was not conscious of the deadfall as he walked through the forest.

11. conscious
- a) careful of
  - b) having an interested in
  - c) aware of
12. deadfall
- a) cool weather
  - b) tangled, fallen trees and branches
  - c) pine-like odour

The billowy clouds of smoke from the campfire shrouded the view of the mountains.

13. billowy
- a) rolling wave or mass
  - b) light-coloured or clear
  - c) slow-moving
14. shrouded
- a) enhanced
  - b) revealed
  - c) concealed



## Prereading Vocabulary...continued

The over-confident teen stood unflinching when the charges against him were read during his arraignment hearing.

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| 15. unflinching           | a) confused and afraid<br>b) timid and shaking<br>c) steady and unafraid   |
| 16. arraignment hearing*2 | a) the final stage of a trial where a punishment is determined<br>b) the first stage of a trial where the accused makes a plea<br>c) a hearing where the crown (government) decides whether or not to charge the person with a crime |

Because it was a sunny afternoon, the lawyer moseyed to the courthouse to bring depositions from his client.

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| 17. moseyed       | a) moving in a slow or leisurely way<br>b) moving in a hurried or rushed way<br>c) moving with a limp |
| 18. depositions*3 | a) testimony taken down in writing<br>b) handcuffs<br>c) DNA samples                                  |

Concerned about his friends' fleeting loyalties, the gang member brandished his gun in front of them to try to gain their respect.

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| 19. fleeting   | a) firm or secure<br>b) drifting or fading away<br>c) quick-running       |
| 20. brandished | a) wave or exhibit in an intimidating manner<br>b) polish<br>c) hide away |

\*1 In Canada, the term juvenile delinquent is not used in the legal system. Instead, the term commonly used is "youth offender."

\*2 The Canadian court system does not use the term "arraignment hearing." Instead, the term used is "first appearance."

\*3 The term deposition is not used in the Canadian legal system. Instead, the term "affidavit" is used.