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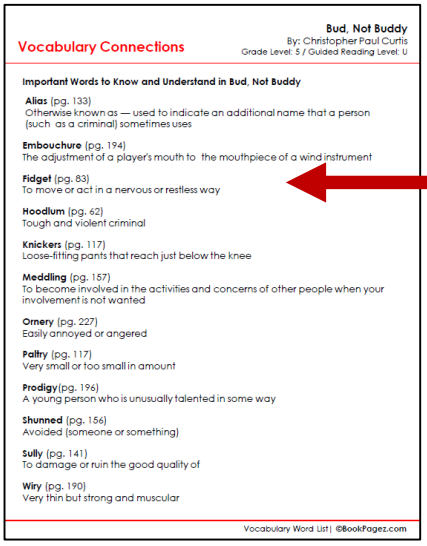

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Bud, Not Buddy
By: Christopher Paul Curtis
Grade Level: 5 / Guided Reading Level: U

Important Words to Know and Understand in Bud, Not Buddy

Alias (pg. 133)
Otherwise known as — used to indicate an additional name that a person (such as a criminal) sometimes uses

Embouchure (pg. 194)
The adjustment of a player's mouth to the mouthpiece of a wind instrument

Fidget (pg. 83)
To move or act in a nervous or restless way

Hoodlum (pg. 62)
Tough and violent criminal

Knickers (pg. 117)
Loose-fitting pants that reach just below the knee

Meddling (pg. 157)
To become involved in the activities and concerns of other people when your involvement is not wanted

Ornery (pg. 227)
Easily annoyed or angered

Paltry (pg. 117)
Very small or too small in amount

Prodigy(pg. 196)
A young person who is unusually talented in some way

Shunned (pg. 156)
Avoided (someone or something)

Sully (pg. 141)
To damage or ruin the good quality of

Wiry (pg. 190)
Very thin but strong and muscular

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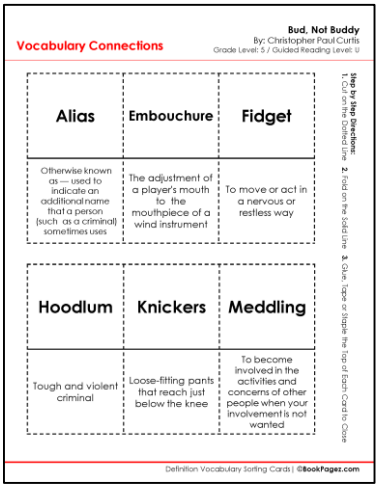

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1. Cut on the Dotted Line. 2. Fold on the Solid Line. 3. Glue, Tape or Staple the Top of Each Card to Close

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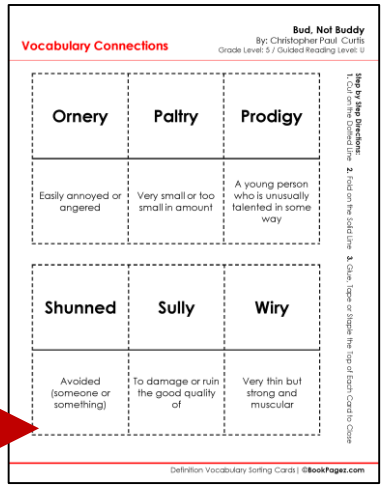

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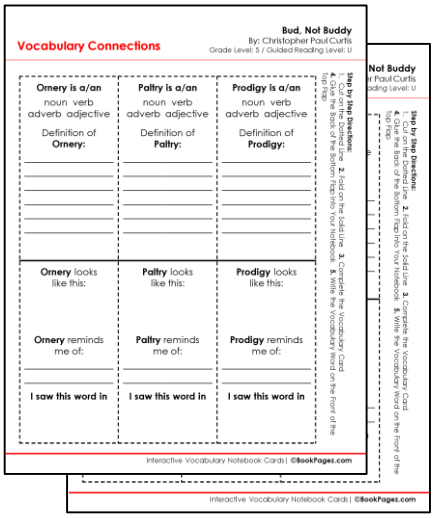

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Ornery is a/an noun verb adverb adjective	Paltry is a/an noun verb adverb adjective	Prodigy is a/an noun verb adverb adjective
Definition of **Ornery:**	Definition of **Paltry:**	Definition of **Prodigy:**
Ornery looks like this:	**Paltry** looks like this:	**Prodigy** looks like this:
Ornery reminds me of:	**Paltry** reminds me of:	**Prodigy** reminds me of:
I saw this word in	**I saw this word in**	**I saw this word in**

Step by Step Directions:
1. Cut on the Dotted Line. 2. Fold on the Solid Line. 3. Complete the Vocabulary Card. 4. Glue the Back of the Bottom Flap into Your Notebook. 5. Write the Vocabulary Word on the Front of the Top Flap.

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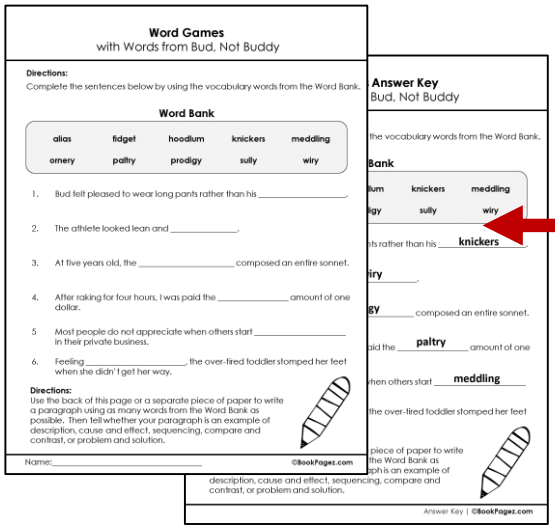

Word Games
with Words from Bud, Not Buddy

Directions:
Complete the sentences below by using the vocabulary words from the Word Bank.

Word Bank

alias	fidget	hoodlum	knickers	meddling
ornery	paltry	prodigy	sully	wiry

1. Bud felt pleased to wear long pants rather than his _____.
2. The athlete looked lean and _____.
3. At five years old, the _____ composed an entire sonnet.
4. After raking for four hours, I was paid the _____ amount of one dollar.
5. Most people do not appreciate when others start _____ in their private business.
6. Feeling _____ the over-tired toddler stomped her feet when she didn't get her way.

Directions:
Use the back of this page or a separate piece of paper to write a paragraph using as many words from the Word Bank as possible. Then tell whether your paragraph is an example of description, cause and effect, sequencing, compare and contrast, or problem and solution.

Name:_____ ©BookPagez.com

Answer Key
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the vocabulary words from the Word Bank.

Bank

lum	knickers	meddling
igy	sully	wiry

ts rather than his ___knickers___.

iry_____.

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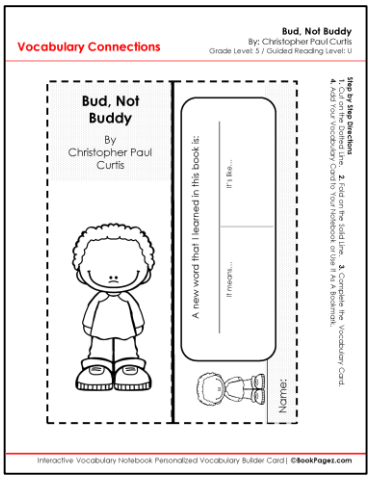
Word Games and Answer Key



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A new word that I learned in this book is:
It's like...
It means...
Name:

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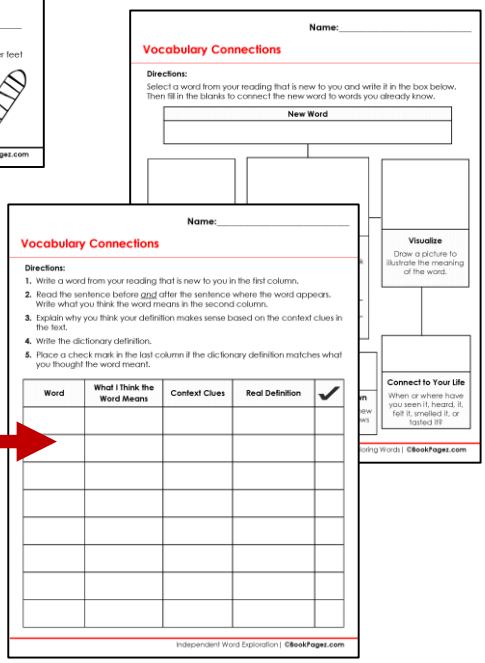
Personalized Vocabulary Bookmark



Name:_____

Vocabulary Connections

Directions:
Select a word from your reading that is new to you and write it in the box below. Then fill in the blanks to connect the new word to words you already know.

New Word

Visualize
Draw a picture to illustrate the meaning of the word.

Connect to Your Life
When or where have you seen it, heard, it, felt it, smelled it, or tasted it?

Name:_____

Vocabulary Connections

Directions:
1. Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
2. Read the sentence before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
3. Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
4. Write the dictionary definition.
5. 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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Vocabulary Word Extension Activities