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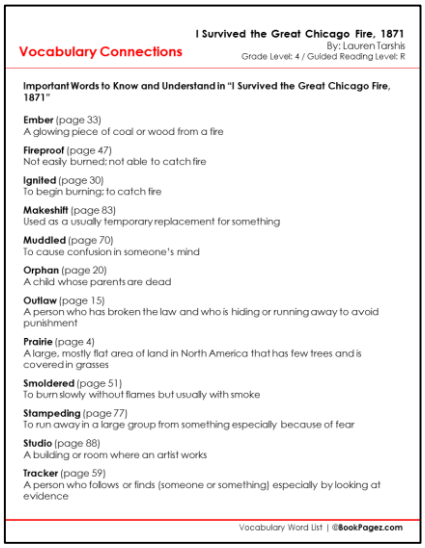

I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871
By: Lauren Tarshis
Grade Level: 4 / Guided Reading Level: R

Vocabulary Connections

Important Words to Know and Understand in "I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871"

Ember (page 33)
A glowing piece of coal or wood from a fire

Fireproof (page 47)
Not easily burned; not able to catch fire

Ignited (page 30)
To begin burning; to catch fire

Makeshift (page 83)
Used as a usually temporary replacement for something

Muddled (page 70)
To cause confusion in someone's mind

Orphan (page 20)
A child whose parents are dead

Outlaw (page 15)
A person who has broken the law and who is hiding or running away to avoid punishment

Prairie (page 4)
A large, mostly flat area of land in North America that has few trees and is covered in grasses

Smoldered (page 51)
To burn slowly without flames but usually with smoke

Stampeding (page 77)
To run away in a large group from something especially because of fear

Studio (page 88)
A building or room where an artist works

Tracker (page 59)
A person who follows or finds (someone or something) especially by looking at evidence

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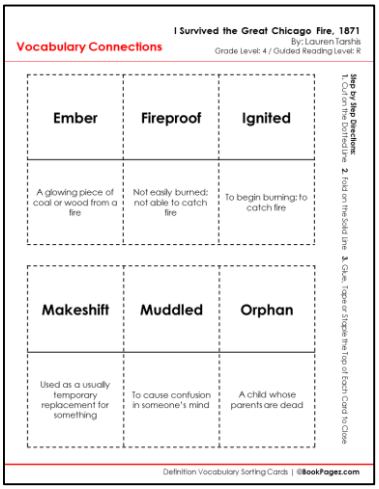
Important Words to Know and Understand in *I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871* Word List



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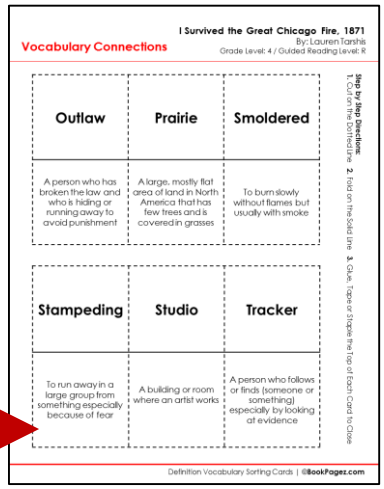

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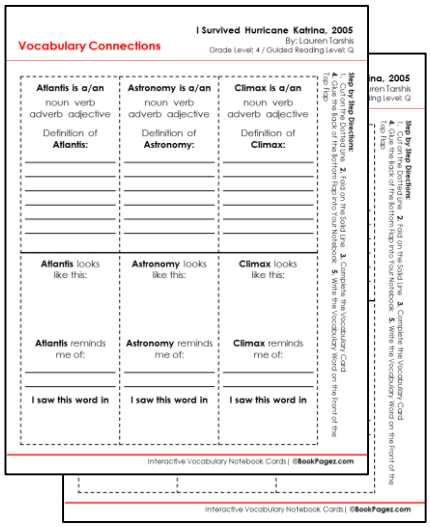

I Survived Hurricane Katrina, 2005
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Vocabulary Connections

Atlantis is a/an	Astronomy is a/an	Climax is a/an
noun verb adverb adjective	noun verb adverb adjective	noun verb adverb adjective
Definition of **Atlantis:**	Definition of **Astronomy:**	Definition of **Climax:**
Atlantis looks like this:	**Astronomy** looks like this:	**Climax** looks like this:
Atlantis reminds me of:	**Astronomy** reminds me of:	**Climax** 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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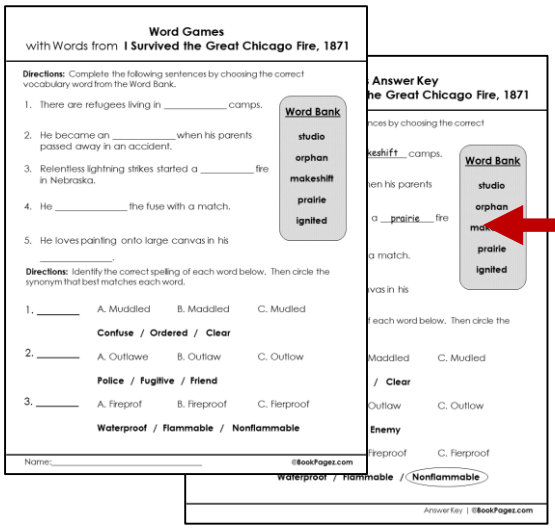

Word Games
with Words from **I Survived the Great Chicago Fire, 1871**

Directions: Complete the following sentences by choosing the correct vocabulary word from the Word Bank.

1. There are refugees living in _____ camps.
2. He became an _____ when his parents passed away in an accident.
3. Relentless lightning strikes started a _____ fire in Nebraska.
4. He _____ the fuse with a match.
5. He loves painting onto large canvas in his _____.

Word Bank
studio
orphan
makeshift
prairie
ignited

Directions: Identify the correct spelling of each word below. Then circle the synonym that best matches each word.

1. _____ A. Muddled B. Maddled C. Mudled
   Confuse / Ordered / Clear
2. _____ A. Outlawe B. Outlaw C. Outlow
   Police / Fugitive / Friend
3. _____ A. Fireprof B. Fireproof C. Fierproof
   Waterproof / Flammable / Nonflammable

Name:_____ ©BookPagez.com

Answer Key
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Word Games and Answer Key

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A new word that I learned in this book is:
_____ (Word)
_____ (Meaning)

Name:

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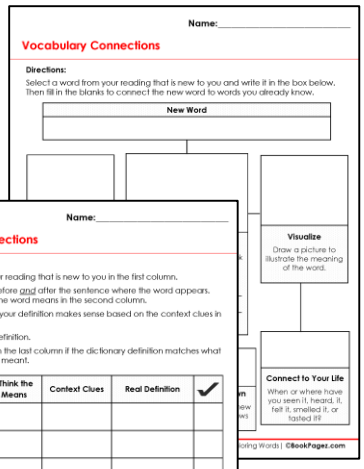
Personalized Vocabulary Bookmark



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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?

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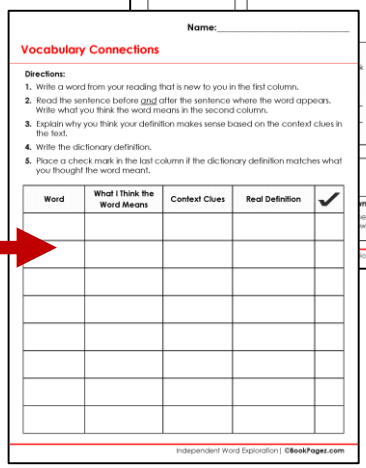

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Vocabulary Connections

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