

Vocabulary Connections Resources

Important Words to Know and Understand in *The Lightning Thief* Word List

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 The *Lightning Thief*
 By: Rick Riordan
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Amphitheater (pg. 42)
 A large building with seats rising in curved rows around an open space on which games and plays take place

Defunct (pg. 231)
 No longer existing or being used

Dissipating (pg. 330)
 Causing (something) to spread out and disappear

Expulsion (pg. 33)
 The act of forcing someone to leave a place (such as a country or a school)

Misnomer (pg. 155)
 A name that's wrong or not proper or appropriate

Propaganda (pg. 155)
 Ideas or statements that are often false or exaggerated and that are spread in order to help a cause, a political leader, a government, etc.

Pseudonym (pg. 64)
 A name that someone (such as a writer) uses instead of his or her real name

Sparing (pg. 110)
 Boxing with someone as a form of training or practice

Qualms (pg. 281)
 Feelings of doubt or uncertainty about whether you are doing the right thing

Trundle (pg. 218)
 To roll on wheels slowly and noisily

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Expulsion is a/an noun verb adverb adjective	Misnomer is a/an noun verb adverb adjective	Propaganda is a/an noun verb adverb adjective
Definition of Expulsion :	Definition of Misnomer :	Definition of Propaganda :
Expulsion looks like this:	Misnomer looks like this:	Propaganda looks like this:
Expulsion reminds me of:	Misnomer reminds me of:	Propaganda reminds me of:
I saw this word in	I saw this word in	I saw this word in

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Word Games with Words from *The Lightning Thief*

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

Word Bank

Defunct	Amphitheater	Qualms
Expulsion	Pseudonym	Dissipating

- We enjoyed watching the opera held at the city's huge _____.
- My community was disappointed when the new business had no _____ about cutting down trees to build a factory.
- Uncle Bob is a well-known writer who uses a _____ to hide his true identity.
- My best friend's fever is _____, which means he will come back to school soon!
- Jim knew that with the right parts and some hard work he could repair his Dad's _____ truck.

Directions: Use the back of this page to write five sentences using the words in the word bank.

Name: _____

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Word Games and Answer Key

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A new word I learned in this book is: _____

It means: _____

Name: _____

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Directions:

- Write a word from your reading that is new to you in the first column.
- Read the sentence before and after the sentence where the word appears. Write what you think the word means in the second column.
- Explain why you think your definition makes sense based on the context clues in the text.
- Write the dictionary definition.
- 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