

VOCABULARY - *Bud, Not Buddy*

Chapters 1-2

Part I: Using Prior Knowledge and Contextual Clues

Below are the sentences in which the vocabulary words appear in the text. Read the sentence. Use any clues you can find in the sentence combined with your prior knowledge, and write what you think the underlined words mean on the lines provided.

1. . . . you have both been accepted in new temporary care homes starting this afternoon.

2. Now, now, boys, no need to look so glum. . . . We've been lucky enough to find two wonderful families who've opened their doors for you.

3. . . . it's around six that grown folks stop giving you little swats and taps and jump clean up to giving you slugs that'll knock you right down and have you seeing stars in the middle of the day. The first foster home I was in taught me that real quick.

4. Todd coughed out, "Oh, Mother. . ." He took two jumbo breaths. "I was only trying to help. . . ."—he was sounding like a horse that had been run too hard in the winter—"and look what it's gotten me." . . . With one quick snatch she had me from under the bed and out on the floor laying down next to Todd. "How dare you! This is how you choose to repay me? Not only have you struck him, you have provoked his asthma!"

5. You are a beastly little brute and I will not tolerate even one night with you under my roof.

6. "Boy," Mrs. Amos said, "I am not the least bit surprised at your show of ingratitude. Lord knows I have been stung by my own people before. But take a good look at me because I am one person who is totally fed up with you and your ilk."

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7. I do not know if I shall ever be able to help another child in need. I do know I shall not allow vermin to attack my poor baby in his own house.

8. We walked around to the back of the shed and he put a key in a padlock. . . . Mr. Amos nudged me and I took a baby step into the shed.

Part II: Match the words to their dictionary definitions.

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| _____ 1. glum | A. illness causing difficulty breathing |
| _____ 2. temporary | B. unthankfulness |
| _____ 3. foster | C. started; induced |
| _____ 4. provoked | D. kind, group, sort, set |
| _____ 5. asthma | E. not permanent; just for a while |
| _____ 6. tolerate | F. sad |
| _____ 7. ingratitude | G. put up with; endure |
| _____ 8. ilk | H. lightly or gently pushed |
| _____ 9. vermin | I. low-life creatures like rats & mice |
| _____ 10. nudged | J. temporary care |