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| 3 | hesitant | 14 | Unsure, reluctant |
| conceded | 15 | Admit that something is true |
| arsenal (context clues) | 16 | Storehouse of weapons and explosives |
| 4 | brandished | 19 | Wave something in the air, to threaten with a weapon |
| 5 | reluctantly | 22 | Concerned or afraid, hesitant |
| empathically | 23 | Sharing or understanding another person’s feelings, attitudes, reasons, etc. |
| \*comrades | 23 | A soldier or worker in one’s group |
| incline | 25 | To tilt at an angle  To bend forward or backward |
| hoisting | 26 | Lifting and moving an object |
| vessel | 26 | A tube that carries fluid  A container, such as a cup  A ship |
| tautness (context clues) | 27 | Firm, tight |
| engulfed | 27 | To enclose and swallow up, overwhelm |
| iridescent | 27 | Showing colors of the rainbow |
| 6 | veered | 30 | To turn sharply |
| gale | 32 | Strong wind (approx. 60 mph) |
| 7 | unison | 34 | Done all together at the same time as a cooperative act or performance |
| queerly | 36 | Different than normal, very strange |
| perplexed (context clues) | 36 | To make someone confused and worried by being hard to understand |
| 8 | ingenuity | 38 | Skill at solving problems |
| dazed | 39 | To make semiconscious, to stun |
| venture | 40 | To act with some risk of harm or money |
| \*spectacle | 42 | A strange or amazing sight  A public celebration or performance  To be loud or behave badly in public |
| disembark | 43 | To leave a ship or airplane after a voyage |
| escort | 43 | To guide, lead  Someone how goes with another as a a guide, guard, or companion |
| entrusting | 44 | To give for safekeeping, place in trust |
| guardian | 44 | A person legally responsible for another, especially a child  A guard |

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| 9 | \*comrades (context clues) | 45 | A soldier or worker in one’s group |
| \*diverted | 46 | To distract, cause to turn away  To direct away especially from an intended purpose  To amuse, entertain |
| ensured | 46 | To make sure, make certain |
| essential | 46 | Central, major  Necessary, required |
| tarry | 47 | To say, to linger |
| conceal | 49 | To hide  To keep secret |
| treacherous | 49 | Dangerous, harmful  Deceitful |
| 10 | coward | 52 | A person without courage |
| haggard | 53 | Tired and weary |
| luxurious | 55 | Characterized by luxury, wasteful spending and great comfort |
| wager | 58 | To bet money, to gamble |
| vexed (context clues) | 59 | To irritate, make someone angry |
| 11 | ornate | 64 | Having lots of decorations |
| turbulence | 66 | Hard or violent movement, such as in air flow or water  Emotional or physical upset |
| expedite | 66 | To do something faster than usual, process rapidly |
| chided | 66 | To criticize someone to improve their behavior |
| destination | 68 | The place where someone is going or something is being sent |
| tyrannical | 68 | A dictatorship enforced by power and terror |
| 12 | beseeches | 71 | To ask strongly, to beg |
| scourge | 72 | A cause of pain and trouble |
| endeavor | 72 | To try, attempt  A project, affair, a venture |
| smirked | 73 | A smile that shows somewhat unkind amusement or a feeling that one is a bit smarter or better |
| mature | 73 | Adult, fully grown  Capable of doing what is right, responsible |
| seized | 74 | To take something and hold it with force  To take by force or by law, to confiscate |

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| 13 | agony | 77 | Great pain |
| exasperated | 78 | To anger and frustrate |
| desperate | 79 | In immediate, very strong need  Wild and dangerous |
| enticing | 81 | To attract or persuade |
| 14 | protested (context clues) | 83 | To complain, object to something as wrong, unfair, untrue, etc.  To demonstrate in opposition to something |
| aroma | 84 | A pleasant smell especially of cooking |
| 15 | plundering | 89 | To steal, take others’ property by force and in large quantity |
| harboring | 89 | To hide something in order to protect him or her  To hold a bad feeling about something |
| daft (context clues) | 93 | Informal, foolish, simple or stupid |
| profound | 95 | Emotionally deep, heartfelt  Intellectually deep, insightful |
| 17 | implored | 112 | To beg, beseech |
| crucial | 113 | Extremely important |
| conviction | 114 | The act of finding someone guilty in a court of law for committing a crime  A strong belief |
| dwarfed (context clues) | 116 | To make something seem small by comparison |
| 18 | gait | 118 | The way a person (or horse) walks (runs, gallops, etc.) |
| forging | 118 | To falsify, produce a fake copy of something  To set up  To melt, soften, and shape metals |
| transfixed | 119 | To run through, to impale  To stun, paralyze with fear or amazement |
| formidable foe | 120 | A hard to beat opponent |
| 19 | \*diverted | 136 | To distract, cause to turn away  To direct away especially from an intended purpose  To amuse, entertain |
| riveted | 135 | Rivet- A round, sturdy, metal plug with a cap, used to nail together metal beams and plates, or heavy fabric  To nail rivets in place  To cause people to look and not look away, to hold someone’s attention |

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| 20 | \*spectacle | 140 | A strange or amazing sight  A public celebration or performance  To be loud or behave badly in public |
| 21 | dispel | 147 | To cause to go away |