

Chapter 8, pages 51-56 Vocabulary

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- 1) Fed: Ate.
- 2) Issued: Given out.
- 3) Fortnight: Two weeks.
- 4) Retinue: A group of assistants that accompanies an important person.
- 5) Cockerel: Rooster

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- 1) "Crown Derby dinner service": Fancy dishes.
- 2) Achievement:
- 3) Swill-bucket: Bucket of food scraps fed to pigs.

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- 1) Sucking-pig: A baby piglet.
- 2) Ere: Before (in old English).
- 3) Surmounted: Placed on top of.
- 4) Engaged: Involved; occupied.
- 5) Skulking: Hiding and moving furtively.

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- 1) Distrusted: Regarded with suspicion.
- 2) Title-deeds: A legal document that proves you own a property.
- 3) Flogged: Whipped; hit.
- 4) Furnace: An oven in which materials can be heated to high temperatures.
- 5) Spurs: Hard spikes on the backs of the legs of roosters.
- 6) Clamoured: Shouted and demanded, loudly and insistently.
- 7) Rash: Without careful consideration of the consequences.
- 8) Scoundrels: A dishonest and unethical person.
- 9) Tidings: News.

10) Machinations: Plots; schemes; tricky plans.

11) Weeds: Unwanted grasses

12) Gander: A male goose.

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1) Bewilderment: Surprise and confusion.

2) Discouragements: Difficulties and loss of enthusiasm.

3) Overcome: Succeeded in dealing with.

4) Gambolled: Ran and jumped playfully.

5) "Struck dumb": So shocked and surprised that they couldn't speak.

6) Impending: Something bad about to happen; looming.

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1) Cunning: Showing skill in getting what he wants through deceit.

2) Gazed: Looked steadily and intently, with admiration.

3) Flimsy: Thin, light, weak; easily damaged.

4) Hullabaloo: A commotion; a fuss; a lot of confused noise and movement.

5) Forgeries: Fake copies.