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Study

Guide

For

Rage and Retribution

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Note: After each section of the story has been completed using the guided reading process, students should complete a verbal or written summary / re-telling of that section. Following each re-telling, a class discussion should be directed concerning each point of student interest.

SECTION – I

The Second Bond

Vocabulary to Own I:

1. **Woe** (noun) pain and suffering

A. Beaten down by the *woe* of his struggles, Joe Cline was ready to surrender.

2. **Sway** (noun)overwhelming control

B. Caught in the *sway* of rebellion, the younger students simply followed the older ones.

3. **Retribution** (noun)payback for a misdeed; revenge; getting even

C. “Sooner or later,” warned Judge Fairly, “*retribution* comes to all offenders.”

4. **Wit** (noun)intelligence; knowledge

D. The *wit* of the chief investigator helped her out-think the fugitives.

5. **Carnal** (adjective)related to human nature; fleshly

E. Because of his *carnal* nature, the sinful man couldn't understand the spiritual lessons.

6. **Brutish** (adjective)animal-like; related to wild beasts

F. The *brutish* warriors fought like savages, sparing neither women nor children.

7. **Twilight** (noun)time between daylight and darkness; dusk or dawn

G. During the *twilight* of the evening, the wolves began to gather for their nightly hunt.

8. **Blithe** (adjective) happy and light-hearted

H. Singing the *blithe* songs of love, the young couple danced and played all night.

9. **Melancholy** (adjective) sad; broken-hearted

I. Sarah was very *melancholy* when she heard about her best friend's misfortune.

10. **Laments** (noun) painful, agonizing complaints

J. Hearing the patient's *laments*, the doctor prescribed stronger anesthetics.

11. **Nexus** (noun) a force that binds or holds things together

K. Love, trust, and sacrifice make up the *nexus* that holds strong marriages together.

12. **Inextricable** (adjective) can't be removed or taken out

L. "Strength is an *inextricable* component of real courage," explained Captain Kidd.

13. **Subsisted** (verb) lived on or found life through

M. The lost campers *subsisted* on lake water, bird eggs, and frogs for two long weeks.

14. **Sojourner** (noun) a traveler or wanderer

N. When the *sojourner* happened upon the village, he decided to stay there and rest.

15. **Barbarous** (adjective) like a barbarian or uncivilized person

O. Several *barbarous* men broke through the door and rudely demanded food and water.

16. **Anachronism** (noun) something out of its proper time.

P. A dinosaur living in downtown New York would certainly be an *anachronism*.

17. **Facades** (noun) false fronts or false images; disguises

Q. Because of their innocent *facades*, it was difficult to predict what mischief they'd do.

18. **Ignominious** (adjective) shameful and terrible

R. When news of the *ignominious* deed was reported, there was a public outcry for justice.

19. **Wantonness** (noun) evil or evil desires and character

S. The *wantonness* of the criminals made rehabilitation the judge's last consideration.

20. **Balm** (noun) a healing medicine or cure

T. After applying the *balm* to the injury, the infection began to quickly drain.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review I (MC & ER)

- I. Which of the following may be considered a statement of the setting?
 - a. It made no apologies for what it was.
 - b. The hard earth was hot.
 - c. In the gray twilight of the early years.
 - d. It had no flesh or bone.

- II. From the title, which of the following may be assumed?
 - a. The story is about love and hate.
 - b. The story is about extreme anger in someone's heart.
 - c. The story is about getting even for some misdeed.
 - d. The story is about anger and vengeance.

- III. Which of the following is most nearly a correct statement according to the story?
 - e. The bond appeared because of the growth of human civilization.
 - f. The bond tries to change the heart of its host.
 - g. The griots sometime forget the details of the ancient stories.
 - h. Great passion is more necessary for those living in the wilderness.

- IV. Evil acts : Great passion ::
 - a. Great passion : The bond
 - b. The bond : Deep passion
 - c. The evil clan : The just clan
 - d. The anachronism : The hovering spirit

- V. From the passage, you can tell that the narrator...
 - e. is happy that the bond lives
 - f. understands the nature of the bond
 - g. wants a powerful bond of his own
 - h. wishes the bond had been called at another time.

- VI. Which statement best illustrates the narrator's judgment of the old South?
 - a. It was an anachronism.
 - b. It was so long ago that it doesn't matter.
 - c. It was an evil time and place.
 - d. It was a lot like a snake

- VII. (ER) Discuss the idea that the narrator felt that the bond was something to be feared. Use evidence and details from the story to support your answer.

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz I

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

- | | |
|----------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Woe _____ | a. sad and broken-hearted |
| 2. Sway _____ | b. happy |
| 3. Retribution _____ | c. pain and suffering |
| 4. Wit _____ | d. animal-like |
| 5. Carnal _____ | e. fleshly |
| 6. Brutish _____ | f. complaints |
| 7. Twilight _____ | g. intelligence |
| 8. Blithe _____ | h. repayment |
| 9. Melancholy _____ | i. powerful control |
| 10. Laments _____ | j. dusk or dawn |

Solving Analogies I

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

- A. Balm : _____ :: _____ : False images
- B. Nexus : _____ :: Sojourner : _____
- C. Evil desire : Something out of its proper time :: _____
: _____
- D. Subsisted : _____ :: An uncivilized person : _____
- E. Ignominious : _____ :: Can't be removed : _____

SECTION – II

The Provocation

Vocabulary to Own II:

1. **Goad** (verb) to push; prod; stick

A. Eric was being *goaded* into skipping school by two of his mischievous friends.

2. **Smitten** (adjective)struck down; attacked; defeated

B. The running back, like a *smitten* warrior, lay on the one yard line, as the clock expired.

3. **Verisimilitude** (noun)semblance; that which appears to be true to life

C. The puppet moved with a *verisimilitude* that fooled the audience completely.

4. **Inevitable** (adjective)unavoidable

D. The bank robber met his *inevitable* end, as the cop cars surrounded him on all sides.

5. **Christened** (verb)anointed; appointed

E. After *christening* himself king, Henry set about to change the laws he didn't like.

6. **Disdain** (verb)to curse; to condemn

F. The starving man *disdained* the poison berries and the bitter waters around him.

7. **Reverberated** (verb) echoed; shook; trembled

G. After the earthquake, the rocky ground and the walls *reverberated* with shock waves.

8. **Shrills** (noun) high-pitched cries; wails

H. When the young girls saw the fiend coming, they filled the air with *shrills* and shrieks.

9. **Tabernacle** (noun) dwelling place; tent; (temporary) house

I. After the *tabernacle* was finished the campers went searching for dry fire wood.

10. **Throes** (noun) a condition of painful struggle or effort

J. Caught in the *throes* of greed, Shelia could not think clearly enough to say no.

11. **Concubines** (noun)women of a harem; lesser wives

K. The king's *concubines* were impossible to control; thus, he released them to their fathers.

12. **Grisly** (adjective) terrible; awful

L. The murderer committed *grisly* acts of torture on his victims before slaying them.

13. **Sanctuary** (noun) a safe place; a protected place

M. Finding no *sanctuary* above ground, the large creature began to dig.

14. **Vermillion** (adjective) the color red

N. Noting the *vermillion* stain, the detective became suspicious of the teenager's story.

15. **Surrogate** (noun) substitute (in the place of the natural)

O. Because the cub lost its mother, Mara became its *surrogate*, raising it as her own.

16. **Matriarch** (noun)female ruler.

P. The matriarch commanded her generals to wait till dawn before launching their attack.

17. **Beckoned** (verb) called or summoned

Q. Queen Mary, needing advice, *beckoned* her chief counselor to her royal chambers.

18. **Stealthily** (adverb) secretly and sneakily

R. *Stealthily*, the thief slipped through the top window and took his prize without a sound.

19. **Vestment** (noun) clothing; apparel

S. Wearing his finest *vestment*, the suave suitor rang the door bell, set to impress.

20. **Piqued** (adjective) having wounded pride or ego

T. Unable to endure the insults to his performance, the *piqued* singer stormed away.

21. **Equivocation** (noun) compromise; uncertainty

U. Without *equivocation*, the stolid commander gave the order to begin the extermination.

22. **Wile** (noun) a sneaky or deceitful trick

V. Sensing his *wile* was working, the sinister convict eased toward the guard.

23. **Quest** (noun) a search (for something important)

W. On their *quest* for treasure, the young men thrilled themselves with many adventures.

24. **Unclad** (adjective) undressed; naked

X. The *unclad* boys went skinny-dipping in the lake, unaware that they had an audience.

25. **Edict** (noun) an uncompromising law

Y. When the king's *edict* was spoken, his entire court began to abscond to secret places.

26. **Provocation** (noun) cause or reason that urges

Z. The two tourists were brutally attacked without provocation, according to eyewitnesses.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review II (MC & ER)

- VIII. With which of the following would the narrator most likely agree?
 - a. The young girls were following excellent role models..
 - b. Their king was ready and prepared to die.
 - c. Ki'bar had many great accomplishments attributed to him.
 - d. Mara was the king's favorite wife

- IX. From the title, which of the following may be assumed?
 - a. There was some specific cause for the conflict.
 - b. Both sides are equally guilty.
 - c. The real cause of the problem was hidden.
 - d. The king was a mean-spirited man.

- X. What did Cubar's choice of a dog's tooth indicate?
 - e. He respected dogs much more than wolves.
 - f. Dogs' teeth are easier to come by than the teeth of wolves.
 - g. He wanted to play a joke on his older brother.
 - h. He never intended to follow his brother's rule as king.

- XI. From the story's account, you can tell ...
 - a. Cubar's eyes will change when his passion comes.
 - b. Yellow eyes are a sign of deep wickedness.
 - c. Tobar's goal was to impress the children.
 - d. Tobar planned on being a noble king.

- XII. From the passage, you can tell that the narrator...
 - i. approves of the reaction of the girls who watched the women bow to Tobar.
 - j. approves of the reaction of the boys who watched the men bow to Tobar
 - k. feels that Tobar has some cleanness left in him
 - l. hopes Cubar is successful in his plot to overthrow his brother.

- XIII. Tobar's rubbing of the Cunningham's picture indicates that he...
 - a. plans to honor them and invite them to join his clan.
 - b. has a vague memory of a time when real love was a part of his family.
 - c. plans to kill all of them for killing his father.
 - d. wants a picture like that one of his family.

- XIV. (ER) Discuss the idea that the children were innocent victims of the conduct and life choices of their parents and community.

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz II

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Goad _____ | a. lesser wives |
| 2. Smitten _____ | b. painful struggles |
| 3. Verisimilitude _____ | c. unavoidable |
| 4. Inevitable _____ | d. true to life |
| 5. Christened _____ | e. a safe place |
| 6. Disdain _____ | f. push, prod, or stick |
| 7. Reverberated _____ | g. terrible |
| 8. Shrills _____ | h. to curse |
| 9. Tabernacles _____ | i. dwelling places |
| 10. Throes _____ | j. echoed |
| 11. Concubines _____ | k. appointed; anointed |
| 12. Grisly _____ | l. high-pitched cries |
| 13. Sanctuary _____ | m. struck or attacked |
| 14. Provocation _____ | n. cause or reason |

Solving Analogies II

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

- A. Vermillion : _____ :: _____ : Unclad
- B. An important search : _____ :: Clothing : _____
- C. Equivocation : Matriarch :: _____ : _____
- D. Surrogate : _____ :: An announced law : _____
- E. Beckoned : _____ :: Wounded pride : _____
- F. Stealthily : _____ :: Wile : _____

SECTION – III

A Noble Clan

Vocabulary to Own III:

1. **Lair** (noun) the den (house) of a predator

A. After the beast returned to its *lair*, it felt totally safe again.

2. **Abated** (verb)reduced

B. As the eye passed over the city, the hurricane’s winds *abated* and all was calm.

3. **Gait** (noun) manner of walking

C. The cat walked with the *gait* of an aged creature, slow and unsteady.

4. **Pummeling** (noun)beating

D. The *pummeling* of ice and water continued through the night, pounding the buildings.

5. **Reeked** (verb)strongly smelled

E. The decaying meat *reeked* after several days in the heat of the sun.

6. **Rigors** (noun)struggles and difficulties

F. After facing the *rigors* of the climb, the hikers needed extra oxygen just to breathe.

7. **Toll** (noun) cost or price

G. The *toll* of war was great on the nation; our children still hear explosions in their dreams.

8. **Tranquil** (adjective) peaceful and restful

H. The *tranquil* surroundings helped to sooth our tensions and frustrations.

9. **Beauteous** (adjective) having great natural beauty

I. The hill-side flower garden was a *beauteous* sight, as the rainbow settled on its fringe.

10. **Citadel** (noun)fort; strong city

J. The soldiers cheered as the walls of their new *citadel* held despite the powerful onslaught.

11. **Sultry** (adjective)hot and damp

K. “*Sultry* weather is great for your sinus condition,” said Dr. Nasal; “it will keep you moist night and day.”

12. **Rubicund** (adjective) red colored

L. The culprit’s *rubicund* tracks led the investigators back to the gory scene.

13. **Sanctifying** (adjective) purifying; cleansing

M. The captain’s *sanctifying* words cleared up the recruit’s misunderstanding of loyalty and duty.

14. **Aura** (noun) a glow

N. An angelic *aura* hovered around the child’s crib, bringing him peace and comfort.

15. **Nonchalant** (adjective) casual; usual

O. The officer’s *nonchalant* attitude proved that he dealt with life and death issues daily.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review III (MC & ER)

- XV. As the Cunninghams left The Hill People's lair, their emotional state can best be described as which of the following?
- a. fluctuating from intense to calm
 - b. steady and firm with no concerns
 - c. shaky and uncertain about what had happened
 - d. burning and aching to resume their conflict
- XVI. From the title, which of the following may be assumed?
- a. The section is about a clan that's filled with hatred
 - b. The section is about a clan that's good and trustworthy
 - c. The section is about a clan that has no problems
 - d. The section is about a clan that plans to fight for its life.
- XVII. Which of the following is most nearly a correct statement according to the story's account?
- e. Sherry's motherhood joined her bond in driving her to protect her loved ones.
 - f. The bond in Tex wasn't always sure where its place was.
 - g. The missing picture bothered Sherry more than the others.
 - h. Tex and the men weren't concerned about any more attacks.
- XVIII. Why didn't Sherry wait to wash her babies?
- a. They were complaining about the smell of the pigs on them.
 - b. She didn't want them around the dinner table with grimy hands.
 - c. She felt that they had been soiled without and within.
 - d. The smell on them reminded her of their trial
- XIX. Of all the members of the noble clan, why was Tex the most vigilant?
- m. He understood the hearts of his enemy the best.
 - n. His bond was older and wilder than the others.
 - o. He could still hear the wailing of the people in the Peaks
 - p. He didn't have a comfortable place to sleep and relax.
- XX. The change in the Cunningham's dreams probably indicated which of the following?
- a. Their joyful days were about to end.
 - b. Their world was about to be covered in blood.
 - c. Their bond had become pervasive in their lives.
 - d. Their closeness to each other was growing thin.
- XXI. (ER) What did the Cunninghams' dreams reveal about them? Use story details.

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz III

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

- | | |
|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1. Lair _____ | a. beating |
| 2. Abated _____ | b. reduced |
| 3. Gait _____ | c. cost |
| 4. Pummeling _____ | d. a predator's den |
| 5. Reeked _____ | e. struggles and difficulties |
| 6. Rigors _____ | f. manner of walking |
| 7. Toll _____ | g. strongly smelled |

Solving Analogies III

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

- A. Nonchalant : _____ :: _____ : Hot and damp
- B. Sanctifying : _____ :: Red : _____
- C. Peaceful : Glow :: _____ : _____
- D. Citadel : _____ :: Beauteous : _____

SECTION – IV

Dreams and Visions

Vocabulary to Own IV:

1. **Haloed** (verb) encircled; overshadowed

A. Just as the rising sun *haloed* the clouds in the eastern sky, Glory snapped the shot.

2. **Disdain** (noun)hatred; outrage

B. His *disdain* for the kidnappers drove him to do acts he'd never even dreamed of before.

3. **Ghastly** (adjective)horrible; nightmarish; ghostly

C. Horror movie-makers often employ advisors who have *ghastly* imaginations.

4. **Fitful fests** (noun)unsettling events or occasions

D. After several nights of *fitful fests*, Evan was ready for some peaceful slumber at home.

5. **Rancid** (adjective)rotten (smelling)

E. The stench of the *rancid* flesh drew buzzards from miles around.

6. **Euphoric** (adjective)unrealistically joyful

F. The *euphoric* teen walked off and left his car, after he got his first kiss from his dream girl.

7. **Trepidations** (noun)fears, concerns, and misgivings

G. Dorothy's *trepidations* about Mr. Shifty caused her to search through all of his records.

8. **Indignation** (noun) righteous anger

H. Considering the nature of the crime, Terry's *indignation* toward the man is understandable.

9. **Chaos** (noun)a condition of total confusion

I. The *chaos* in the hallway made it impossible to know who actually started the fight.

10. **Vulnerable** (adjective) defenseless; able to be defeated

J. "His extreme fatigue left him vulnerable to many diseases," stated the physician.

11. **Hideous** (adjective)ugly and evil

K. The *hideous* creature howled at the moon then climbed slowly into his coffin.

12. **Proverb** (noun)a statement of general truth about life or people.

L. The sage's last *proverb* finally answered Jonathan's question about his lost friend.

13. **Deliberations** (noun) thoughts; ideas, considerations

M. After *deliberations* were done, the legal team entered the courtroom with a solid strategy.

14. **Encumbered** (verb) bothered or hindered

N. *Encumbered* by the afternoon traffic, Janice arrived at work fifteen minutes late.

15. **Countenance** (noun) face; appearance

O. Mitchell's glowing *countenance* announced his full recovery from that flu bug.

16. **Squalid** (adjective) soiled; dirty; filthy

P. Seeing the *squalid* kitchen, Sharon knew she didn't want to eat in that restaurant.

17. **Torso** (noun) chest area; upper body

Q. Because his *torso* was so wide and thick, Joe looked very large when he was seated.

18. **Resignation** (noun) acceptance; surrender

R. Her *resignation* toward her condition made it easier to handle for everyone.

19. **Languishing** (verb) suffering (without hope)

S. *Languishing* in despair, the convict, rubbing the bars, repeated his sentence over and over.

20. **Respite** (noun) a temporary peace; relief

T. After a month of downpours, the summer rains granted a *respite* to the soaked residents.

21. **Juvenescent** (adjective) youthful; immature

U. Tammy's *juvenescent* appearance helped her fit in with the teenagers in her class.

22. (A) **Plethora** (noun) many; surplus; an overabundance

V. There is a *plethora* of reasons why young people should stay in school.

23. **Disquieted** (verb) to upset or unsettle

W. The news of the attack *disquieted* the soldiers; none of them slept the balance of the night.

24. **Exultation** (noun) great, overflowing joy; a praise

X. The shout of *exultation* was heard throughout the city; victory had been won!

25. **Fetters** (noun) ties; binding or limiting ropes.

Y. "Remove his *fetters*, and set him free!" the officer commanded, pointing at the chained man.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review IV (MC & ER)

- XXII. When the reddening of the Cunningham's world turned yellow, it indicated
- An evil presence was overtaking them.
 - An early death was unavoidable. .
 - The Hill People were thinking about them.
 - An evil presence was invading their personal space.
- XXIII. The eyes of The Hill People were colored with a pale yellow because
- There was only a small amount of life in them.
 - There was only a little worth in their intentions.
 - Bright yellow belonged to the Cunningham twins.
 - Because The Hill People had vile intentions and were innately evil.
- XXIV. Which of the following is most nearly an incorrect statement according to the story's account?
- Tex's dreams disturbed him the least.
 - Sherry's dream disturbed her because it involved her babies.
 - Clint's stalker was a man and a beast combined.
 - All of the above.
- XXV. Why did Clint and Sherry need to ready their hearts for whatever had to be?
- They would be able to react more quickly.
 - The acts they might have to do would be against their customary natures.
 - Their hearts were preoccupied with the welfare of their clan
 - Their opponents had already readied their hearts.
- XXVI. The net effect of the dreams on the Cunninghams was which of the following?
- They made them stronger in their resolve to be good people.
 - They drew them closer to each other as family members.
 - They caused them to be alert to whatever might come.
 - They helped them better understand how evil their enemies were.
- XXVII. Which of the following best illustrates Tex's resolve to save his clan?
- He refused to be afraid of the beast.
 - He meditated on the valor and bravery of his ancestors.
 - He chose to be a living or a dead lord – whichever he had to be.
 - He listened to the cries of his enemies while the others slept.
- XXVIII. (ER) How does the revelation of the twins' dream-state help to balance the mood and tone of Section IV?

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz IV

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

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|------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. Deliberations _____ | a. total confusion |
| 2. Ghastly _____ | b. a wise, truthful saying |
| 3. Chaos _____ | c. rotten |
| 4. Rancid _____ | d. thoughts; ideas, considerations |
| 5. Hideous _____ | e. terrible; ghostly |
| 6. Haloed _____ | f. ugly and evil |
| 7. Proverb _____ | g. encircled; overshadowed |
| 8. Fitful fests _____ | h. righteous anger |
| 9. Euphoric _____ | i. unrealistically joyful |
| 10. Vulnerable _____ | j. hatred; outrage |
| 11. Trepidations _____ | k. fears, concerns, and misgivings |
| 12. Disdain _____ | l. defenseless; able to be hurt |
| 13. Indignation _____ | m. unsettling events |

Solving Analogies IV

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

- A. Fetters : _____ :: _____ : Exultation
- B. Youthful : _____ :: Faces: _____
- C. Torso : Plethora :: _____ : _____
- D. Bothered : _____ :: Suffering : _____
- E. Respite: _____ :: Acceptance : _____
- F. Squalid: _____ :: _____ : Disquieted

Prelude to Conflict

Vocabulary to Own V:

1. **Prelude** (noun) preparation; introduction
A. The conflict on Mars Hill was just a *prelude* to the real battle atop Martial Point.

2. **Scribes** (noun)writers; keepers of records
B. The *scribes* recorded the king's new laws and posted them for all to see.

3. **Odorous** (adjective)smelly; strong scented (offensive)
C. The sweaty ball players were very *odorous* after their midday scrimmage.

4. **Contingency** (noun)possible situation
D. After considering every *contingency*, a master plan was drawn up and approved.

5. **Shrewd** (adjective) (street) smart; intelligence from experience
E. The *shrewd* men were entirely at home on the fast-paced streets of the big city.

6. **Subjugating** (adjective)humbling; yielding
F. Bowing is a *subjugating* gesture made by a true servant.

7. **Cowering** (adjective) fearfully trembling
G. The *cowering* soldier hid himself in the ladies' room while the enemy took the building.

8. **Transgression** (noun) sin; wrong doing; wicked attack
H. After a dozen *transgressions*, the king's patience was spent; he said, "Off with his head!"

9. **Havoc** (noun) destruction; devastation
I. *Havoc* reigned throughout the region, as the horned invaders took their spoil.

10. **Treachery** (noun) unfaithfulness; betrayal
J. Thomas's *treachery* was found out, and he was sentenced to the dungeon for life.

11. **Arrogant** (adjective)prideful; egotistical

K. The *arrogant* lady felt it beneath her to clean her own house; thus, she lived in squalor.

12. **Ruthless** (adjective) merciless; cold-blooded; without compassion

L. The *ruthless* bandit killed everyone in the bank, even the old women and small children.

13. **Ominous** (adjective) threatening; foreboding of disaster

M. The distant thunder booms were *ominous* signs that something awful was coming.

14. **Gesticulations** (noun) gestures; movements

N. Katherine's wild *gesticulations* saved her, as the attacker was caught off guard.

15. **Qualms** (noun) reservations; misgivings; doubts

O. "I have no *qualms* about what I must do," said the determined doctor.

16. **Malevolence** (noun) intense hatred; innate evil

P. Don't underestimate the *malevolence* of a life-long outlaw; it's remarkably strong.

17. **Vigilant** (adjective) faithful and dedicated (to duty)

Q. The *vigilant* pet stayed by its master's side until help arrived.

18. **Sentinel** (noun) a posted guard

R. Seeing the *sentinel* in his place made the people feel secure enough to fall asleep.

19. **Reconnoiters** (noun) secret spy missions

S. *Reconnoiters* into enemy territory provided valuable intelligence to the allies.

20. **Ambivalence** (noun) mixed or conflicting emotions

T. Helen's *ambivalence* made her love and hate Julio and the same time.

21. **Convolution** (noun) a disorganized mixture of different things

U. A *convolution* of motives caused the group's most important projects to fail.

22. **Disparate** (adjective) completely different (in nature and purpose)

V. The reactions to the news were predictably *disparate*; each person took it in his own way.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review V (MC & ER)

XXIX. Which of the following was not included in Ki'bar's battle strategy?

- i. A moonless night
- j. A raging bear that thirsted for blood
- k. Blood-sworn warriors
- l. A lace with the canines of the red wolf

XXX. Which of the following was not a ploy or trick of Cubar?

- m. Hiding his blade behind his back
- n. Dipping his blade in Mara's cauldron
- o. Stringing the dog's tooth on Tobar's lace
- p. Cutting his collar instead of his neck

XXXI. What is meant by this expression: *The invisible Mara...*

- e. Mara was a very small woman and easily overlooked
- f. Mara was able to hide and spy on the congregation.
- g. Mara was not loved by anyone except Grrbar.
- h. Mara had no importance and was ignored by all.

XXXII. Which of the following did not happen in Mara's re-awakened hour?

- q. She saw the scene that lead to her insanity.
- r. She felt the hatred for her husband and his deed.
- s. She ended her terrible nightmare and rose to feed Grrbar.
- t. She felt the hurt as she had in the beginning.

XXXIII. Why did Tobar's step-sisters hate the twins so much?

- u. They represented something neither of them could have.
- v. The twins loved Sherry more than their children loved them.
- w. They had been condemned by Ki'bar a year earlier.
- x. They had failed to bow before them in the village.

XXXIV. Why did Mara wrap Grrbar's meat in garments?

- u. To hide them because it was past her feeding time.
- v. To teach her to hate someone that she, herself, hated.
- w. To teach her to crave the taste of an enemy.
- x. To help her learn to eat things other than meat.

XXXV. (ER) How does treachery lead to the personal danger of the sisters?

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz V

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

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| 1. Arrogant _____ | a. gestures; movements |
| 2. Ruthless _____ | b. a posted guard |
| 3. Ominous _____ | c. completely different |
| 4. Gesticulation _____ | d. cold-blooded |
| 5. Qualms _____ | e. disorganized mixture |
| 6. Malevolence _____ | f. prideful |
| 7. Vigilant _____ | g. mixed emotions |
| 8. Sentinel _____ | h. evil hatred |
| 9. Reconnoiter _____ | i. doubts; concerns |
| 10. Ambivalence _____ | j. a spy mission |
| 11. Convolution _____ | k. threatening |
| 12. Disparate _____ | l. faithful to duty |

Solving Analogies V

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

- A. Prelude : _____ :: _____ : Treachery
- B. Scribe : _____ :: Trembling : _____
- C. Havoc : Shrewd :: _____ : _____
- D. Odorous : _____ :: Sin and wrong doing : _____
- E. Humbling : _____ :: Possible situation : _____

The Releasing of Grrbar

Vocabulary to Own VI:

1. **Wrath** (noun) anger and indignation
A. The slothful servants had to face the queen's *wrath* because none of them did their work.

2. **Fatigue** (noun) tiredness and exhaustion
B. As *fatigue* overtook him, Stanley fell to the earth and sighed.

3. **Plight** (noun) bad situation (often fateful)
C. Simon's *plight* in life was to wrestle with all manner of sickness; and he endured it well..

4. **Mortal** (adjective) deadly; able to die
D. Engulfed in *mortal* combat, the soldiers did everything necessary to survive.

5. **Visceral** (adjective) emotional (from the gut)
E. Captain Kilpatrick's *visceral* reaction told me that the matter was very serious to him.

6. **Hallowed** (adjective) holy and sacred
F. While standing on *hallowed* ground, no one would dare speak a lie of any sort.

7. **Omen** (noun) a token or sign
G. When our leader got sick, everyone took it to be a bad *omen*; some even quit the team.

8. **Wonderment** (noun) shock and amazement
H. Taken in *wonderment*, the whole troop just stood and watched the creature swim away.

9. **Rendezvous** (noun) a meeting or place of meeting
I. Mary and I have a *rendezvous* scheduled for 6:00 PM at B.K. Steakhouse.

10. **Constrained** (verb) forced or controlled

J. The jury was *constrained* to listen to the whole testimony of every witness.

11. **Infuriated** (adjective) very angry

K. The *infuriated* woman beat the would-be kidnapper with a baseball bat.

12. **Remnant** (noun) the remaining portion, usually small

L. Only a *remnant* of the gold remained in the mines, but that was enough to make us rich.

13. **Perpetuated** (verb) performed; did or committed; continued

M. All three teenagers *perpetuated* the same myth until one of them finally cracked.

14. **Loathing** (noun) intense hatred

N. Her *loathing* of her boyfriend's deed caused he to plot against him day and night.

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Comprehension and Discussion Review VI (MC & SR)

XXXVI. The speedy hunter's account of the king's encounter with the wolf was

- y. Completely accurate and true.
- z. Lengthened to make sure no details were left out.
- aa. Exaggerated to make the king seem heroic.
- bb. Told to inform the village of people how great their king was.

XXXVII. Why were wolves captured during the royal hunts?

- cc. The hunters used their fur for clothing.
- dd. The wolves showed their viciousness, even to the death
- ee. The wolves were attacking their swine herds
- ff. Wolves were easier to catch than bears.

XXXVIII. What strategy was designed to control Grrbar's pace?

- e. Placing meat at the end of her guide pole.
- f. Placing a yoke around her neck and twisting it.
- g. Walking ahead of her and singing war songs.
- h. Standing behind her and pushing with goad sticks.

XXXIX . As the handlers were trying to control Grrbar, what angered her the most?

- gg. She saw the men as trying to attack her.
- hh. She felt the fear that welled up inside the men.
- ii. She connected what they were doing to her with the absence of Mara.
- jj. The thunder and lightning was growing worse.

XL. What was done to increase Grrbar's killing power?

- y. She was fed peppers and onions.
- z. She was stuck in the face with nails.
- aa. The stones were taken out of her pit.
- bb. Her swine was withheld for many days and replaced with deer meat.

XLI. Who was Grrbar's trainer?

- k. Tobar
- l. Mara
- m. Her two Handlers
- n. Her mother before Ki'bar killed her.

XLII. (SR) Why did Grrbar reject the handlers as prey for herself?

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Vocabulary Matching Quiz VI

Match the following terms on the left with their denotations on the right. Write the letter of the answer in the blank that best corresponds.

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| 1. Visceral _____ | a. amazement; shock |
| 2. Hallowed _____ | b. hating |
| 3. Omen _____ | c. meeting or meeting place |
| 4. Wonderment _____ | d. performed; continued |
| 5. Rendezvous _____ | e. emotional; from the gut |
| 6. Constrained _____ | f. forced or controlled |
| 7. Infuriated _____ | g. a (bad) token or sign |
| 8. Remnant _____ | h. remains (small portion) |
| 9. Perpetuated _____ | i. holy; sacred |
| 10. Loathing _____ | j. made intensely angry |

Solving Analogies VI

To solve the following analogies, select a term or a denotation from your Vocabulary-to-Own list that best completes the equation.

A. Mortal : _____ :: _____ : Wrath

B. Plight : _____ :: Fatigue : _____