

Lesson 21

Antarctic Ice

conserved- If something is rare or important, you protect or conserve it.

strict- If you are stern and demand obedience, you are strict.

absence- An absence means that something or someone is not present.

shelters- Something that shelters you protects you and keeps you safe.

permanently- If something stays one way forever, it stays that way permanently.

drifts- When something drifts, it moves along without direction.

scarce- Something is scarce if there is not much of it to be found.

dim- It is dim when there is not much light.

harsh- If something is hard to stand up to, like a blizzard, it is harsh.

bleak- If something is cold and gloomy, it is bleak.

Lesson 22

Bat Loves the Night

blanketed- If an area is blanketed in fog or snow, it is covered.

surroundings- The area around you is your surroundings.

nocturnal- If an animal is nocturnal, it sleeps during the day and is active at night.

effort- When you work hard, you put out effort.

dozes- Someone who dozes takes short naps.

swoops- When something moves through the air lightly and quickly, it is fluttering.

detail- A detail is a small feature.

fluttering- When something moves through the air lightly and quickly, it is fluttering.

plummet- If you drop suddenly from a great height, you plummet.

inverted- Something that is turned upside down or is inside out is inverted.

Lesson 23

Chestnut Cove

eagerly- If you are waiting eagerly for something, you are excited or anxious for it to happen.

transferred- If you transferred something, you moved it from one place to another.

fondness- If you like something very much, you have a fondness for it.

emotion- An emotion is a feeling such as happiness.

ridiculous- Something that is very silly is ridiculous.

disgraceful- If something is disgraceful, it is shocking and unacceptable.

decent- Someone who is decent is good and fair.

inherit- When you inherit something, you have been given something by someone who used to own it.

contented- If you are contented, you are happy with the way things are.

collaborate- If you are going to work with others on a project, you are planning to collaborate.

Lesson 24
Ramona Quimby, Age 8

affordable- If you have enough money to buy something, that thing is affordable.

individually- If you speak to your friends one at a time, you speak to them individually.

clutter- If a place such as your desk or your room has clutter, it is messy and full of things you do not really need.

visible- When something is visible, you can see it.

mentioned- If you mentioned something, you talked about it briefly.

beckoned- If you beckoned to someone, you used your hand to signal him or her to come to you.

flustered- If something flustered you, it made you forget what you were saying or doing.

remark- A remark is something that is said about something.

presentation- If you describe or perform something in front of a group of people, you are putting on a presentation.

effective- When you get the result you want, then your actions have been effective.

Lesson 25

The Robodogs of Greenville

required- Something that is required is needed.

functional- Something that serves a purpose is functional.

inhabitants- The people or animals that live in a certain place are the inhabitants of that place.

amazement- Amazement is a feeling of great wonder and surprise.

ample- An amount that is ample is enough or more than is needed.

responsibility- A responsibility is something you are excited to do.

futuristic- A futuristic story tells how things might be in the future.

realistic- A book that is realistic describes things as they really are.

confused- A confused person is mixed up.

shifting- If air is shifting, it is moving or changing.