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*Student Art, Activity #13: Erin Bryant*

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Rate each of the following statements before you read the novel. Compare your ratings with a partner's, and discuss why you chose the particular ratings you did. (After you have completed the novel, discuss with your partner whether you would change any of the ratings.)

1 — 2 — 3 — 4 — 5 — 6  
**agree** **disagree**  
**strongly** **strongly**

**Before** **After**

- |  |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|
| 1. War is exciting.  | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Soldiers should follow orders.  | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Military deserters are cowards.   | _____ | _____ |
| 4. Killing another person is wrong, no matter what.  | _____ | _____ |
| 5. Loyalty to your country should come before loyalty to your family.                                | _____ | _____ |
| 6. The best military leaders have compassion for their troops.                                       | _____ | _____ |
| 7. A true patriot is willing to die for his or her country.  | _____ | _____ |
| 8. Few soldiers run from battle.   | _____ | _____ |
| 9. It is unpatriotic to criticize military commanders.   | _____ | _____ |
| 10. Most soldiers fight because they believe in a cause.   | _____ | _____ |
| 11. War is necessary to preserve freedom.  | _____ | _____ |
| 12. Soldiers should be proud of their battle injuries.   | _____ | _____ |
| 13. "Cowards die many times before their deaths; the valiant taste of death but once." (Shakespeare) | _____ | _____ |
| 14. You should accept your fate.   | _____ | _____ |

Name \_\_\_\_\_

integrity 111  
plummeted 125

plaudits 111  
obscurity 125

tenacious 115  
dissuaded 126

inept 116

**Directions:** Divide into groups of four and map each of the list words together. (See the map outline below.)

- Step 1:** Assign each person one part of each map. One person finds synonyms; the second finds or draws pictures or symbols; the third writes definitions; the fourth writes sentences.
- Step 2:** Turn to the pages on which the words appear in the book.
- Step 3:** Look at how each word is used.
- Step 4:** Map each word.
- Step 5:** Share your maps with other groups.

<p><b>Synonyms</b></p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>magazine cut-out, drawing, or symbol that shows what the word means:</p>
<p>word</p> <hr/>	
<p>definition in your own words:</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	<p>word used in a sentence:</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>