

*Vocabulary From Literature for...*

# *Brave New World*

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**Activity I**  
**Matching Definitions**  
**Chapters 1-3**

**Directions:** Match each of the following words with its definition based on the context in which the word appears in the book. Use the page numbers in parentheses to locate the word. Then, look up the word in the dictionary, and change any answers that are not correct.

apertures (30)	bandolier (51)	beget (5)	conventionality (42)
dismal (49)	incredulity (32)	mutation (15)	pallid (3)
stigmata (55)	surreptitious (33)		

1. \_\_\_\_\_ dull and gloomy
2. \_\_\_\_\_ marked by secretive behavior
3. \_\_\_\_\_ disbelief
4. \_\_\_\_\_ a change in a gene or chromosome resulting in a difference
5. \_\_\_\_\_ pale
6. \_\_\_\_\_ the state or quality of being allowed or practical; tradition
7. \_\_\_\_\_ openings
8. \_\_\_\_\_ marks of disgrace or infamy
9. \_\_\_\_\_ a belt with small loops for holding bullets
10. \_\_\_\_\_ to father; produce

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Activity I  
Matching Definitions  
Chapters 4-6

**Directions:** Match each of the following words with its definition based on the context in which the word appears in the book. Use the page numbers in parentheses to locate the word. Then, look up the word in the dictionary and change any answers that are not correct.

anecdote (97)	annihilating (59)	derision (65)	imperiously (59)
notoriously (60)	perennially (77)	plaintive (70)	prejudices (62)
simian (58)	stupor (59)		

- \_\_\_\_\_ capable of complete destruction
- \_\_\_\_\_ uninformed or preconceived judgments
- \_\_\_\_\_ perpetually, constantly; appearing yearly
- \_\_\_\_\_ resembling or characteristic of an ape or monkey
- \_\_\_\_\_ unfavorably; infamously
- \_\_\_\_\_ overbearingly; oppressively
- \_\_\_\_\_ a short and often humorous account of an event
- \_\_\_\_\_ sorrowful
- \_\_\_\_\_ ridicule; mocking; disdain
- \_\_\_\_\_ a mental daze

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**Activity I**  
**Matching Definitions**  
**Chapters 7-10**

**Directions:** Match each of the following words with its definition based on the context in which the word appears in the book. Use the page numbers in parentheses to locate the word. Then, look up the word in the dictionary, and change any answers that are not correct.

conspirator (149)      emaciated (110)      grimace (109)      indefatigable (108)  
indignant (109)      loathsomeness (151)      revolting (122)      shuddered (122)  
unprecedented (111)      writhed (109)

1. \_\_\_\_\_ angry from a perceived injustice
2. \_\_\_\_\_ twisted in discomfort or pain
3. \_\_\_\_\_ quivered or shook
4. \_\_\_\_\_ tireless
5. \_\_\_\_\_ without a previous example; never done before
6. \_\_\_\_\_ excessively thin from lack of nourishment
7. \_\_\_\_\_ causing disgust
8. \_\_\_\_\_ a facial expression made in response to something unpleasant
9. \_\_\_\_\_ horridness
10. \_\_\_\_\_ a person plotting an unlawful act

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**Activity I**  
**Matching Definitions**  
**Chapters 11-14**

**Directions:** Match each of the following words with its definition based on the context in which the word appears in the book. Use the page numbers in parentheses to locate the word. Then, look up the word in the dictionary, and change any answers that are not correct.

affliction (171)	alighted (158)	collation (175)	entity (158)
girdle (158)	interminable (156)	languor (167)	masticating (164)
trifle (161)	vitrified (163)		

- \_\_\_\_\_ exited; stepped down from or out of
- \_\_\_\_\_ seemingly without end
- \_\_\_\_\_ a lack of energy or interest; sluggishness
- \_\_\_\_\_ a difficulty or misery
- \_\_\_\_\_ chewing, grinding, or kneading
- \_\_\_\_\_ a complete unit or an individual
- \_\_\_\_\_ small and unimportant
- \_\_\_\_\_ a strap or restraint
- \_\_\_\_\_ a light meal
- \_\_\_\_\_ made glassy from heat

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**Activity I**  
**Matching Definitions**  
**Chapters 15-18**

**Directions:** Match each of the following words with its definition based on the context in which the word appears in the book. Use the page numbers in parentheses to locate the word. Then, look up the word in the dictionary, and change any answers that are not correct.

avowed (231)	beneficent (227)	constituted (245)	convergent (258)
deprecating (217)	equilibrium (227)	platitude (225)	postulates (236)
sedulously (228)	subordinate (228)		

1. \_\_\_\_\_ coming together; merging
2. \_\_\_\_\_ kind or charitable acts
3. \_\_\_\_\_ constantly; thoroughly
4. \_\_\_\_\_ made; formed; comprised
5. \_\_\_\_\_ a predictable or clichéd statement
6. \_\_\_\_\_ balance and stability
7. \_\_\_\_\_ below the most important or excellent
8. \_\_\_\_\_ rules; basic principles
9. \_\_\_\_\_ openly claimed or acknowledged
10. \_\_\_\_\_ lowering the value of; diminishing