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for

The Things They Carried

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## **INTRODUCTION**

If you already own the LitPlan for this title, this Puzzle Pack will refresh your Unit Resource Materials and Vocabulary Resource Materials sections plus give you additional materials you can substitute into the tests. If you do not already have a complete LitPlan, these pages will give you some supplemental materials to use with your own plan. There are two main groups of materials: one set for unit words (such as characters' names, symbols, places, etc.) and one set for vocabulary words associated with the book.

## **WORD LIST**

There is a word list for both the unit words and the vocabulary words. These lists show you which words are being used in the materials and the clues or definitions being used for those words. You may want to give students a word list with clues/definitions to help them, or you may want students to only have a word list (without clues/definitions) if you want them to work a little harder. Both are available for duplication. The word lists can also be your "calling key" for the bingo games.

## **FILL IN THE BLANK AND MATCHING**

There are 4 each of the fill in the blank and matching worksheets for both the unit and vocabulary words. These pages can be used either as extra worksheets for students or as objective parts of a unit test. They can be done individually if students need extra help or as a whole class activity to review the material covered.

## **MAGIC SQUARES**

The magic squares not only reinforce the material covered but also work on reasoning and math skills. Many teachers have told us that their students really enjoy doing these!

## **WORD SEARCH PUZZLES**

The word search words go in all directions, as indicated on your answer keys. Two of the word search puzzles have the clues listed rather than the words. This makes the puzzle a little more difficult, but it reinforces the material better. Two word search puzzles have words only for students who find the clue puzzles too difficult.

## **CROSSWORD PUZZLES**

Both unit and vocabulary word sections have 4 crossword puzzles.

## **BINGO CARDS**

There are 32 individual bingo cards for the unit words and 32 individual bingo cards for the vocabulary words. You can use your word list as a "call list," calling the words at random and marking them off of your list as you go, or you could use the flash cards by cutting them apart and drawing the words at random from a hat (or box or whatever). To make a better review, you might ask for the definition and spelling of each word as you call it out—or you could call out the definitions and have students tell you the words they need to look for on the puzzle.

## **JUGGLE LETTERS**

The vocabulary juggle letter game is intended to help students learn the spellings of the words. One sheet has the definitions listed on it as an extra help for students who need it or to reinforce the definitions if you choose to do so.

## **FLASH CARDS**

We've included a set of vocabulary flash cards you can duplicate, cut, and fold for your students. Some teachers make a few sets for general use by the class; others make a set for each student. Some teachers duplicate them for each student and have the students cut & fold their own. You can cut out just the words and put them in a hat, have each student pick out one word and write the definition and a sentence for that word. Students then swap words and papers, with the next student adding a sentence of his own under the last one. You can have students swap as many times as you like. Each time the student will read the sentences written prior to his own and then add a sentence. You can cut out the words and definitions separately and play "I Have; Who Has?" Each student in the room draws a word and definition. The first student says, "I have (the name of the word). Who has the definition?" The student with the definition reads it then says, "I have (the name of the vocabulary word she has). Who has the definition?" The round continues until all words and definitions have been given.



## The Things They Carried Matching 1

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|-------------------|--|
| ___ 1. TRUE       | A. Jimmy Cross never forgave himself for this soldier's death. |
| ___ 2. SANDERS    | B. Known for exaggerating                                      |
| ___ 3. KIOWA      | C. To carry  |
| ___ 4. RAT        | D. Aids O'Brien in getting revenge                             |
| ___ 5. BOWKER     | E. Water ___ was killed because of Rat's grief                 |
| ___ 6. OBRIEN     | F. Norman drove around it.                                     |
| ___ 7. CANADA     | G. Good-luck item for Dobbins                                  |
| ___ 8. TED        | H. Rat wrote to Curt Lemon's                                   |
| ___ 9. LINDA      | I. Object that broke Jensen's nose                             |
| ___ 10. ALPHA     | J. The Things They ___   |
| ___ 11. CORPSE    | K. Azar thought it was ___ to die in a field of excrement.     |
| ___ 12. IRONIC    | L. Escapes the realities of the war by using drugs             |
| ___ 13. PHOTO     | M. Fourth-grade girlfriend of O'Brien                          |
| ___ 14. HUMP      | N. Mary Anne disappears into the ___.                          |
| ___ 15. LAKE      | O. Name of the Company   |
| ___ 16. SISTER    | P. A war story is ___ if it embarrasses the listener.          |
| ___ 17. PISTOL    | Q. Confessed he made up parts of the story                     |
| ___ 18. PANTYHOSE | R. To get killed   |
| ___ 19. STORIES   | S. Tim tries to save Timmy's life using these.                 |
| ___ 20. CARRIED   | T. Believes that stories can save lives                        |
| ___ 21. BUFFALO   | U. Native American soldier                                     |
| ___ 22. AZAR      | V. Narrator refused to shake hands with one                    |
| ___ 23. SPOOKED   | W. Place many draft-dodgers fled to                            |
| ___ 24. JUNGLE    | X. It indirectly causes Kiowa's death.                         |
| ___ 25. LAVENDER  | Y. Commits suicide   |

## The Things They Carried Magic Squares 1

Match the definition with the vocabulary word. Put your answers in the magic squares below. When your answers are correct, all columns and rows will add to the same number.

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|------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| A. LODGE   | E. SWEETHEART | I. MARTHA    | M. WELL      |
| B. OBRIEN  | F. FUND       | J. PHOTO     | N. LAKE      |
| C. VIETNAM | G. SANDERS    | K. SISTER    | O. NOSE      |
| D. ENGAGED | H. PISTOL     | L. PANTYHOSE | P. DECLOTTER |

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| 1. Norman drove around it.                 | 9. Mary Anne was the ___ of the Song Tra Bong.           |
| 2. Confessed he made up parts of the story | 10. O'Brien's summer job in 1968                         |
| 3. Good-luck item for Dobbins              | 11. Country & name of the war                            |
| 4. Narrator drove to the Tip Top ___       | 12. It indirectly causes Kiowa's death.                  |
| 5. Rat wrote to Curt Lemon's               | 13. Mark compromised with Mary Anne and they became ___. |
| 6. Believes that stories can save lives    | 14. Lt. Cross burned her picture                         |
| 7. Dobbins threatens to put Azar in one.   | 15. Note with money in envelope said Emergency ___.      |
| 8. Object that broke Jensen's nose         | 16. Jensen broke his own                                 |

A=	B=	C=	D=
E=	F=	G=	H=
I=	J=	K=	L=
M=	N=	O=	P=

The Things They Carried Word Search 1

P	A	N	T	Y	H	O	S	E	J	A	C	K	K	N	I	F	E
H	A	L	M	X	X	K	T	R	I	C	G	P	I	B	G	V	T
U	P	T	E	V	F	B	A	Q	D	R	S	P	O	O	K	E	D
M	J	N	R	M	M	A	R	T	H	A	O	V	W	L	A	K	E
P	O	K	D	O	O	R	T	Z	H	J	N	N	A	X	X	D	R
J	S	C	D	B	L	N	J	J	N	L	P	C	I	Z	R	J	R
C	I	J	C	N	O	D	S	S	G	L	E	B	I	C	V	U	X
E	L	K	W	A	N	B	Y	Z	N	C	I	E	O	N	J	N	R
F	V	H	E	R	S	S	R	W	O	F	A	N	N	W	G	G	F
U	E	I	L	X	C	I	E	I	S	H	F	R	D	R	K	L	X
N	R	A	L	P	H	A	N	P	E	C	O	U	R	A	G	E	N
D	E	L	N	T	U	G	G	S	I	N	O	L	A	I	R	L	R
T	M	W	G	S	R	R	A	H	T	S	T	R	T	B	E	O	S
E	M	E	D	I	C	U	G	Z	E	O	T	F	P	M	E	D	V
D	X	G	M	S	H	N	E	C	A	N	R	O	O	S	N	G	M
R	H	L	K	T	E	T	D	Y	P	R	R	I	L	S	E	E	G
T	R	I	P	E	S	C	A	N	A	D	A	Y	E	H	S	K	Z
T	U	M	O	R	P	H	O	T	O	S	A	N	K	S	V	E	X

A war story is \_\_\_\_ if it embarrasses the listener.

(4)

Aids O'Brien in getting revenge (4)

Any soldier (5)

Azar mocked this. (7)

Azar thought it was \_\_\_\_ to die in a field of excrement. (6)

Believes that stories can save lives (6)

Brought his girlfriend to Vietnam for a visit (5)

Cause of Linda's demise (5)

Commits suicide (6)

Dobbins threatens to put Azar in one. (4)

Escapes the realities of the war by using drugs (3)

Fainted during a dentist visit (5)

Fourth-grade girlfriend of O'Brien (5)

Good-luck item for Dobbins (9)

His girlfriend dumped him in October; monks liked him (5)

It indirectly causes Kiowa's death. (5)

Jensen broke his own (4)

Jorgenson's job (5)

Kiley shot himself there. (4)

Kiowa \_\_\_\_ into the mud. (4)

Kiowa advised soldiers not to damage or profane these. (8)

Kiowa received an illustrated \_\_\_\_ Testament. (3)

Kiowa's were in the rucksack. (9)

Known for exaggerating (3)

Lt. Cross burned her picture (6)

Mark compromised with Mary Anne and they

became \_\_\_\_\_. (7)

Mary Anne disappears into the \_\_\_\_\_. (6)

Name of the Company (5)

Narrator drove to the Tip Top \_\_\_\_ (5)

Narrator found it difficult to admit he was capable of this. (4)

Narrator gave Kathleen a \_\_\_\_ to Vietnam as a present. (4)

Narrator refused to shake hands with one (6)

Native American soldier (5)

Norman asked the narrator to write Speaking Of \_\_\_\_\_. (7)

Norman didn't win the \_\_\_\_ Star. (6)

Norman drove around it. (4)

Note with money in envelope said Emergency \_\_\_\_\_. (4)

O'Brien's daughter (8)

Object of Strunk and Jensen's fistfight (9)

Object that broke Jensen's nose (6)

Place many draft-dodgers fled to (6)

Rat wrote to Curt Lemon's (6)

Shape of the Vietnamese soldier's wound (4)

The Things They \_\_\_\_ (7)

The \_\_\_\_ Berets used the compound as their base. (5)

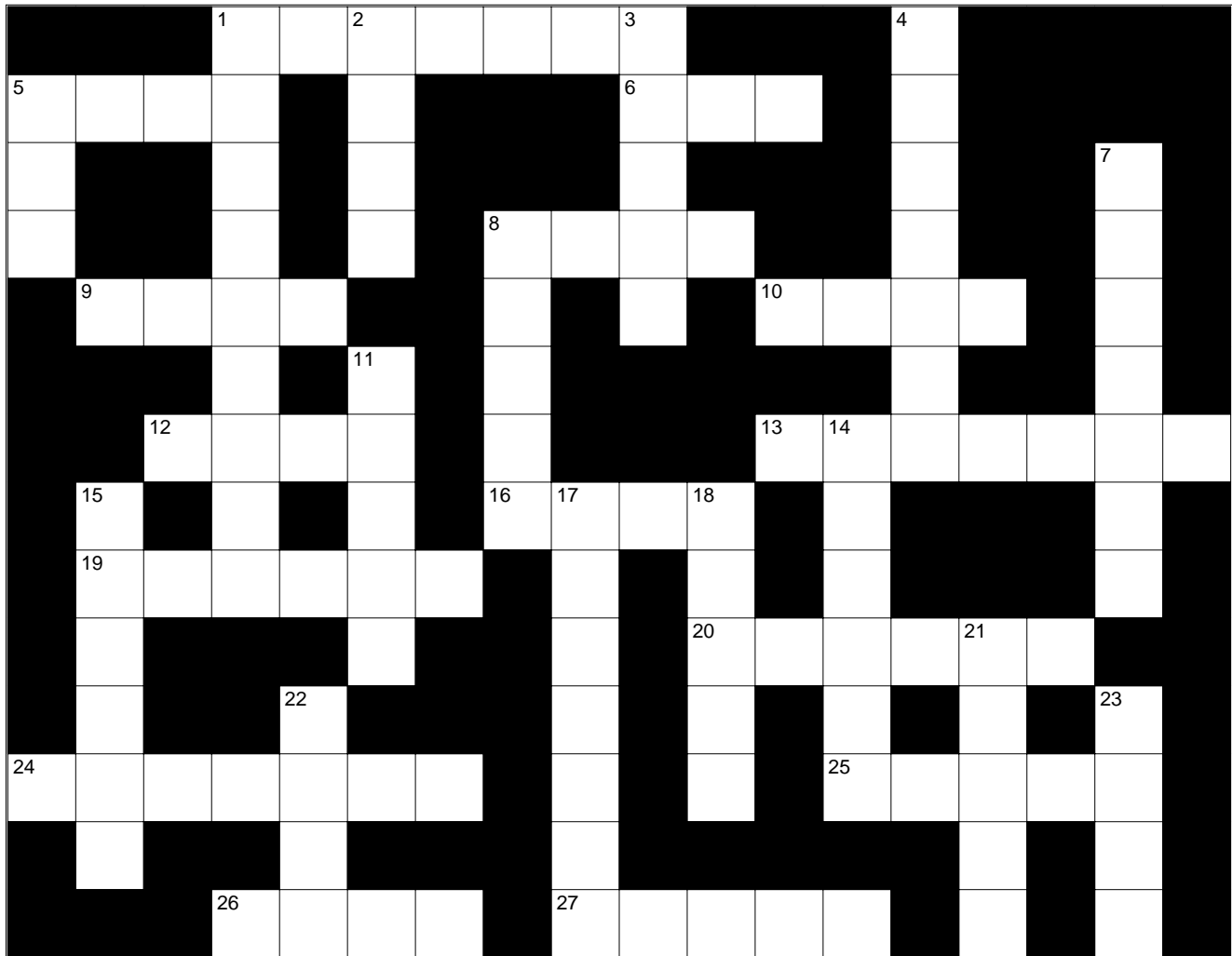
The listening \_\_\_\_ heard sounds foreign to the jungle. (6)

Tim tries to save Timmy's life using these. (7)

To carry (4)

To get killed (7)

# The Things They Carried Crossword 1



## Across

1. Azar mocked this.
5. A war story is \_\_\_\_ if it embarrasses the listener.
6. Known for exaggerating
8. Note with money in envelope said Emergency \_\_\_\_.
9. Kiley shot himself there.
10. Aids O'Brien in getting revenge
12. Shape of the Vietnamese soldier's wound
13. To get killed
16. Narrator found it difficult to admit he was capable of this.
19. Believes that stories can save lives
20. Lt. Cross burned her picture
24. Hero of the narrator's life
25. Fourth-grade girlfriend of O'Brien
26. Dobbins threatens to put Azar in one.
27. Jorgenson's job

## Down

1. O'Brien's summer job in 1968
2. Jensen broke his own
3. Any soldier
4. Water \_\_\_\_ was killed because of Rat's grief
5. Escapes the realities of the war by using drugs
7. Confessed he made up parts of the story
8. Brought his girlfriend to Vietnam for a visit
11. The \_\_\_\_ Berets used the compound as their base.
14. The listening \_\_\_\_ heard sounds foreign to the jungle.
15. Commits suicide
17. Country & name of the war
18. Fainted during a dentist visit
21. His girlfriend dumped him in October; monks liked him
22. Norman drove around it.
23. Kiowa \_\_\_\_ into the mud.

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TRIP	TRUE	HUMP	CANADA	EXCREMENT
KIOWA	LEMON	HENRY	DECLOTTER	SPOOKED
STORIES	VIETNAM	FREE SPACE	FOSSE	CORPSE
STAR	AZAR	GRUNT	BUFFALO	MEDIC
EVIL	WELL	FUND	LINDA	CHURCHES

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LODGE	CARRIED	JACKKNIFE	PANTYHOSE	MOCCASINS
LAKE	ENGAGED	SANK	NEW	RAT
OBRIEN	TUMOR	FREE SPACE	IRONIC	FOOT
COURAGE	ALPHA	NOSE	PHOTO	PATROL
BERDAHL	LAVENDER	SANDERS	PISTOL	MARTHA