

4000 Essential English Words 1 Unit 16: Adams County's Gold

1. Choose the right definition for the given word.

exist

- A) the first one
- B) to print a book
- C) to be real
- D) something to help you

2. Choose the right definition for the given word.

clue

- A) hint
- B) steps
- C) heavy
- D) wood

3. Choose the right definition for the given word.

maybe

- A) where you see shows
- B) possible or likely to be true
- C) where classes are held
- D) where you hear music

4. Choose the right definition for the given word.

hidden

- A) one hundred years
- B) level with no curves
- C) a nice man
- D) not able to be seen

5. Choose the right definition for the given word.

wealth

- A) old
- B) leader
- C) money
- D) season

6. Choose the right definition for the given word.

pound

- A) to hit hard many times
- B) the steps you take
- C) metal used in money
- D) the largest political division of a state

7. Choose the right definition for the given word.

century

- A) first
- B) hundred
- C) school
- D) man

8. Choose the right definition for the given word.

officer

- A) a leader in the arm
- B) where you listen to music
- C) a sports group
- D) something you use to help get a job done

9. Choose the right definition for the given word.

theater

- A) where you see a movie
- B) a lot of money
- C) a hint about something
- D) a piece of wood

10. Choose the right definition for the given word.

ancient

- A) to be real
- B) possible or likely to be true
- C) very old
- D) to get a book ready to sell



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11. Fill in the blanks with the correct words from the word bank.

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Where do the boys look for the gold?

- A) At Adams Academy
- B) At the movie theater
- C) In the forest
- D) In a concert hall

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What is NOT true of *The Wealth of Adams County*?

- A) It was published more than a century ago.
- B) It was written by an army officer.
- C) It still has its original cover.
- D) It tells about a board in the forest floor.



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Why does Brad think the gold really exists?

- A) Because there are clues to it in a book
- B) Because a gentleman told him it did
- C) Because he was given an ancient dictionary
- D) Because it was hidden in the spring

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Where will the boys probably go at the end of the story?

- A) To get tools to carry the gold
- B) To continue the process of finding gold
- C) To watch Joe's soccer team
- D) To pound on more boards



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Answer Key:

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|-------|-------|
| 1: C | 11: B |
| 2: A | 12: D |
| 3: B | 13: E |
| 4: D | 14: C |
| 5: C | 15: A |
| 6: A | 16: C |
| 7: B | 17: B |
| 8: A | 18: A |
| 9: A | 19: B |
| 10: C | |

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