1. THE READER OF BOOKS

7 revolting, adj, disgusting.
   offspring, n, fml children.
8 twaddle, n, infml foolish talk or writing; nonsense.
   get there own back
   cook up, v adv, infml to invent falsely.
   scorchers, n, infml
doting, adj, having or showing too much fondness.
   wash-out, n, sl a failure.
   sure as heck: definitely.
   grasshopper, n, a type of insect which can jump high and makes a sharp noise by rubbing parts of its body
   together.
9 delve, v, to try to discover new information.
   Cicada, n, a type of tropical insect with a large wide head and large transparent wings.
   Grub, n, an insect in the wormlike form it has when just out of the egg.
   Stinker, n, extremely bad or unpleasant.
10 scab, n, a hard mass mainly of dried blood which forms over a cut or wound on the skin while it is getting
   better.
   flick away, v adv, to remove with a light quick stroke.
   Bunion, n, a painful red swollen lump on the first joint of the big toe.
   Nimble, adj, agile.
   half-witted, adj, usu. derog of weak mind.
   Gormless, adj infml stupid and thoughtless, as though lacking brains.
11 pop, v, infml to come out.
   Chatterbox, n, a person, esp. a child, who talks a lot.
   hanker after, v prep, infml to have a strong wish for (usu. something one cannot have. LONG FOR.
12 flaming, adj, sl (used for adding force to a rude word).
   set out, v adv to begin a course of action.
   Awhile, adv esp. lit or fml for a short time.
   take aback, v adv to surprise and confuse someone.
13 cosy, adj, warm and comfortable
   go over, v adv, GO ACROSS.
15 stun, v, to cause to lose the senses or sense of balance.
16 cobwebbed, adj, cubierto de telarañas.

2. MR WORMWOOD, THE GREAT CAR DEALER

22 sawdust, n, dust and very small pieces of wood
22 sawmill, n, factory in which wood is sawn up into planks
22 twit, n, person who does silly or thoughtless things
22 boast, v, talk about something you have done in a way that shows you are excessively proud or pleased
   to egg someone on if you egg someone on you encourage them
22 Shameless, adj, Someone who is shameless does not try to hide their behaviour, which is unacceptable to
   other people, using showing disapproval
23 worn out, adj, something that is old and damaged
23 rattle, when something rattles make short and rapid knocking sounds
23 cheat, v, lie or behave dishonestly in order to get what they want
23 grin, v, to smile broadly
23 diddle, v, If you diddle someone you take money from them unfairly
23 tamper, v, to tamper with means try to change something when you have no right to do so
23 rattly-looking, adj, a person who looks like a rat
   mileage, n, Number of miles that a vehicle had travelled
   speedometer, n, instrument who shows how fast the vehicle is moving
24 coupled up, joined
24 drill, n, machine used for making holes
25 knock off, v, to reduce
25 heck, informal word that expresses irritation
have the nerve, do something rude and disrespectful
You haven’t the foggiest idea, you have no idea
squirt, adj. If you call someone a squirt, you dislike them strongly
floppy, adj. not firm or rigid
stew, v. cook the food slowly in liquid in a closed dish
munch, v. eat something by chewing it
Soap-opera, n. Popular TV drama serial about the daily lives and problems of some people
strap, v. If you strap something somewhere you fasten it in place with a narrow band of leather cloth, or other material
To have a go, v. to intent

3.- THE HAT AND THE SUPERGLUE

Beastly inf. Word; adj. qualit. Something that is healthy is very unpleasant; horrible.
To slip v. To sneak; to go somewhere quickly without being noticed.
Cloakroom n. count. Place where you can leave your coat and hat especially in a public building or place or entertainment.
To squeeze v. To apply pressure to in order to extract (juice, glue) (e.g. to squeeze an orange)
Neat n. elderly in appearance.
Rim n. Any edge, margin, or frame added to or around a central object or area.
Scalped n. To remove the mass of skin and hair from the top part or their head; done by North American Indians as a sign of victory.
Sawdust n. is dust and very small pieces of wood which are produced when you saw wood or when you sand it.
To Fiddle v. To move or adjust parts of a machine or other object in order to make it work properly or until it is how you want it to be.
Mileage n. count. Number of miles that a vehicle can travel using one gallon of petrol.
Drill n. count. Machine that is used for making holes.
Yank n. To pull in a particular direction suddenly and with a lot of force.
Yell n. A loud and sudden shout given by someone.
To nestle v. you move into a comfortable position, especially by pressing against someone or something soft.
To pick So. Nose ph. V. To put the finger in the nose when it itches.
To splutter v. To talk rapidly and somewhat incoherently, as when confused, excited, or embarrassed.
Budge v. To move slightly, or begging to move.
To skulk v. To move or go in a mean, stealthy manner; sneak; slink.
To toss v. To pitch, rock, away, or move irregularly, as a ship on a rough sea or a flag or plumes in the breeze.
To slip off ph. V. To take off quickly or easily clothes.
To crawl about v. To move in a prone position with the body resting on or close to the ground, as a worm or caterpillar, or on the hands and knees.

4.- THE GHOST

To Chasten v. To reprimand, to make someone less proud.
To Boast. v. To talk about how clever, strong, handsome, etc., you are
To Strike v. To hit.
Crummy
To simmers Down v. To became calmer.
Thunder-Cloud n. Large black cloud which bring thunder and lighting.
To make oneself scare inf. To disappear. To keep out of the way.
To stride  v. (stode) To take long steps.
To curl up  v. To roll up into a ball.
To Blare  v. To make a loud noise.
To glare  v. To look angrily.
Galaastly  adj. Horrible, frightful.
To Dread  v. To fear greatly.

39 Reach  n. distance you can travel easily, distance you can stretch out your hand.
To Snap  v. To speak sharply.
Trash  v. To beat, to beat decisively.
To snatch  v. To grab something rapidly.

40 Filth  adj. Very dirty, obscene, not pleasant.
To Bark  v. To make a loud call like a dog.

41 To rip  To tear.
Jealousy  n. Jealous feeling.
To dare  v. To be brave enough to do something.
To sulk  To show you are annoyed by not saying anything.
Subtle  adj. Cunning.
Hatch  v. To plan a plot.

43 Spooky  adj. inf. Frightening (place) which is likely to be haunted.
To stagger  v. To walk unsteadily.
To wedg  v. To become tightly fixed.

45 Stoof  n. Black carbon dust which collects in chimneys.
To hiss  To make a whistling sound.
To dash  v. To rush.
To wide  v. To clean, to dry with a cloth.

46 Poker  n. long metal rod for stirring up a fire.
Plug out  n. Device with pins which go into a series of small holes in an electric socket, and which then allow the current to pass through.
Socket  n. One which a bulb/plug can be fitted into.
To Creep  v. (Crept) To move around stealthily.
Brandishing

47 To relieve  v. To reduce pain/tension.
To shriek  v. To make a loud high pitched cry.
To quake  v. To shake with fear or cold.

48 To haunt  v. Of ghosts to appear in a place.
To Trottle  v. To strangle someone by squeezing the neck and preventing them breathing.
To Flee  v. (Fled) To run away.
Sooty  adj. Black, covered with soot.
Grumpy  adj. Bad tempered

7.- MISS HONEY

66 Conserved: adj., Worried.
Arrangement: n., Plan.
In advance: Before hand; ahead in time.
Bleak: adj., Desolated; empty or almost empty.
To smash: v., Be broken violently into pieces.
Mild: adj., Gentle; soft.

67 Bewilderment: n., State of being puzzle, confuse.
To overwhelm: v., Agobiar.
To herd into: v., To move or drive (sb/sth) forward as a cattle in the specified direction.
Warmth: n., Moderate heat.
Newcomer: n., Person who has recently arrived in a place.
Holy terror: adj., Formidable or dominating person.
Alike: adv., In the same way.
Menace: Threatening quality.
Rod: n., Thin straight piece of wood or metal.
Storm-trooper: n., Soldier specially trained for violent and cruel attacks.
Stride: n., One long step.
Snort: n., Sound to show impatience, disgust, amusement, etc.
To plough: v., Force a way through sb/sth.
To bounce: v., To jump.

Enraged: adj., Infuriated.

68 To hand out: v., To distribute sth.

Brand-new: adj., Completely new.

69 To chant: v., To sing or recite as a canticle.

Throughout: adv., In every part.

To liquidise: v., To become liquid.

Blender: n., Liquidizer.

Grin: n., Foolish smile.

To get out: v., To leave a place.

To chirrup: v., To make a sound like a bird.

Eager: adj., Full of interest or desire.

70 To put up: v., To raise sth.

Slightly: adv., To a not serious or important degree.

Spellbound: adj., Entranced.

71 To sink in: v., To deepen.

72 To show off: v., To try to impress others with one’s abilities, wealth, intelligence, etc.

Amazement: n., With great surprise or wonder.

73 To lean back: v., To be in a sloping position.

Shaken: adj., Excited.

To let sth. out: v., To utter.

74 To work sth. out: v., To calculate sth.

Lens: n., Piece of glass or other transparent material with one or more curved surfaces used to make things appear clearer, larger or smaller when viewed through it, and used in spectacles, cameras, telescopes, etc.

75 Lump: n., Hard or compact mass, usu without a regular shape.

Quivery: adj., Shaked.

To flit: v., To fly or move lightly and quickly from one place to another.

To pop up: v., To appear suddenly.

Fair: adj., Just.

76 To catch up: v., To reach.

To string sth. together: v., To combine words, phrases, etc., to form meaningful statements.

77 To go ahead: To begin to do sth. without hesitation.

Understatement: n., Incomplete statement.

Smartly: adv., Elegantly.

To walk out of sth.: v., To leave suddenly and angrily.

At random: Without method or conscious choice.

Stew: n., Dish of stewed meat, vegetables.

78 Dainty: adj., Delicate

Limerick: n., Type of humorous poem with five lines, the first two rhyming with the last.

To startle: v., To give a sudden shock or surprise to a person.

79 Reluctantly: adv., After much thought.

To blush: v., To become red in the face because of sth.

Broad: adj., Wide.

81 Grown-up: n., Adult.

Astounded: adj., Amaze.

Wisdom: n., Experience and knowledge.

8.- THE TRUNCHEON

82 Stuck: n; trouble

In the bottom form: lowest level

Dreaded: with great fear or anxiety

To boom: v; to make a deep hollow sound

83 Sinewy: adj; having strong muscles

Smock: n; a garment like a log loose shirt, esp. as worn by women or to protect the clothes

Buckle: n; a metal fastener used for joining the two ends of a belt or strap

Breeches: n; short trousers fastened at or below the knee

Twill: n; strong cloth woven to have parallel sloping lines across its surface

Flat-heeled:

Brogue: n; a strong thick shoe, esp. with a pattern made in leather
Flap: n; a wide flat thin part of anything that hangs down, esp. so as to cover an opening

Staghounds: perros sabuesos.

Flushed: adj; excited and eager

Fluster: v; to cause (someone) to be nervous and confused

85 Bark: v; to say something in a sharp loud voice

To be a bad lot though: ser un mal sujeto

Brat: n; derog a child, esp. a bad-mannered one (mocosa)

wart: pesadilla.

To be a real wart: To be a nasty person

It darn well is right!: to give emphasis

stink-bomb: bomba fétida

stank: olio mal

sewer: cloaca

nasty: asqueroso

bound:

squash: callar

86 Squash: v; to force into silence or inactivity

Bluebottle: n; a large blue fly (moscarda)

Grinning: v; making a wide smile

Barmy: adj infml; foolish or a little mad

Browbeaten: v; to frighten or force to obey with threatening looks or words

Scorch: v; to burn slightly

Swell up: to increase

Bullfrog: n; a large-headed American frog that makes a loud noise

88 Wretched: adj; a very unhappy

Regardless: adv; infml in spite of everything

You’re darn right it’s up to me!:

9.- THE PARENTS

90 sought out: (past of to seek out) to look for, to search for

91 stuck up: proud, vain (vanidoso, engreído)

to aware: to notice

reassembled: joined together again

deeply: strongly, profoundly (hondamente)

glanced up: (past) to look up (levantar la vista)

nigh: nearly

offspring: son

nitwit: ignorant, stupid

indeed: really, truly

92 prospect: outlook, perspective

smalish: little

coozy nook: confortable corner

built in: to inconvenience

blaring: sounding strongly

ratty: mean (tacaño, ruin)

raffle tickets: tickets of a lottery for charity

94 rotten: disgusting, sickening

darn: damned, sickening

peered: (to peer) to look at something closely.

frail: fragile

snapped: (to snap) to say something suddenly

briskly: vigorously

gazing: looking at something

rapturously: without movement

95 glared: to look at something furiously

96 juggle: to play

daft: stupid

astonishing: amazing
97 silly: stupid
98 plaim plump: ordinary fat
    slaving away: working as a slave
    nasty: awful
99 simpering sloppiness: smiling dafty
    gather: to deduce, to arrive at
    like lightning: very fast
    braing: very intelligent
    bosomy: with big bust
    drop outs: without success
    in the flesh: in person
100 bouncing up: jumping
    heaven’s sake: in the name of god
    sued: there is a legal action against you
    despise: to underestimate

101 outward: external
    show off: "hacer alarde"
    wrapped up: protected
    struggles: fights
    wandering: running without any direction
102 skinny: thin
    fringe: "flequillo"
    gutsy: very powerful or vital person
102 awesome: dreadful, terrify
    rugged: rude
    scum: piece of sheet
    dig ... out: bring out, reveal
    stuff: fill up, attest
    handful = fistful: puñado, manojo
    borstal: reformatory, workhouse
    crisp: toasted
    treat: present
    loathe: hate, detest
    grub: larva
    hatch out: grow
    “In went another fistful of crisps...”: “Tragó otro puñado de patatas...”
    crumb: particle
103 stretchers: two long sticks with canvas used to carry an injured person
104 titchy: something which is extremely small, tiny
    lockup: jail, prison
    gaze up: look steadily at someone or something (mirar fijamente)
    mistrust: when you don’t trust on someone
    squat: sit close to the floor with the legs under you (cucilllas)
    staff: stupid or not sensible (panoli)
   尖: afilado, cortante
    spiky: something who has a sharp point
    pitch: to increase a quality
105 wobble: to make small movements from side to side (balancearse)
    poured: to cause a liquid to flow out of its container (derramarse)
    squelching: making a wet sound as when you walk on muddy ground (chapotear, chapoteo)
106 clap: hold something in your hands (agarrar, asir)
    muck = excrement: excrementos
    squirt: when you dislike someone very strongly you call it “squirt” (farsante)
    sneak on: to accuse someone of doing something bad
    gulping: eating or drinking something very fast
    rocker: balancín
    babbling: talking in a confused or excited way (balbucear)
bogs: toilettes

107 drawer: box for clothes (cajón)

knickers: bragas

spellbound: captivated

itching-powder: some dusts which make you scratch (polvos pica pica)

welts: a mark on one’s skin (roncha, cicatriz)

fold ... up: bend a part of clothes so that it covers another part smaller of the same clothe (doblar, plegar)

cram: put too food in one’s mouth

108 leapt up: jump

grabbed: catch, take

enthralled: fascinated

skulduggery: trap, trick (trampas, embustes)

pursuit: hunt

goddess: feminine of God

blemish: fault, imperfection

badge: a signal of a particular skill (distintivo)

breathless: without air to take (sin respiración)

culprit = bandit

109 overawed: frighten

“You’re darn right...”

“You’re strongly right...”

tough life: rough, strong, hard life

rely on = believe in

shrimp: little sea food (gamba)

110 fling, flung, flung = throw

thump: blow, (batacazo)

“She is proud of ...”: you feel very glad of your possessions or skills

whisk: move something quickly and in an efficient way (movimiento rápido, escobilla, batidor)

112 shricks: screams (chillidos)

Watch out!: beware, caution

stride: walk with long steps (dar zancadas)

menacing: intimidating

draw back: move back

hastily = quickly

belted smock: garment with a belt

breeches: trousers which reach as far as your knees (bombachos, calzones)

114 enraged: furious, angry

flat-out: do something as fast or hard as you can (a mata caballo)

 glued to the spot: enable to move from the place

terrorstruck: terrified, very afraid of someone or something

pop-eyed: with eyes “jumping” from the face

quivering: shaking or trembling with a fast and very light movement (temblar)

chop: cut

stutter: difficulty speaking a word “hitting” (tartamudear)

plait: trenza

“She’s a twit”: she does silly things which annoy you

bellowed: shout in a loud voice

blancmange: cold jelly-like pudding made from milk, sugar, cornflour (manjar blanco = dulce)

tinker’s toot: bocinazo fuerte

yelled: shout, scream

lunge forward: jump at, make a suddenly movement in one direction (lanzarse, abalanzarse)

Shades of the Olympics

whirling: move someone around (girar, arrremolinarse)

115 toes: end part of one’s feet (puntera)

spinning: turn round quickly several times, around a central point

blur: mancha, trazo oscuro

mighty: powerful

grunt: make a low noise (gemido)

116 mesmerised: fascinated

trifle: considered to have little importance, value /insignificance
dazed: astonished (aturdido)
sauntered: walk around

14. THE FIRST MIRACLE

bane: noun. Ruin, the cause of harm.
Pumping: verb. to push
strips: long narrow bands
leapt off: intransitive verb. jump
fire-cracker: noun. A roll of paper that contains an explosive and attached fuse.
Yellow-bellied: adjective. coward.
Squirmed: verb. turn the body in a snake like movement.
Breeches: plural noun. trousers reaching to the knees.
Quivering: adjective. tremble.
blanc mange: noun. A sweet.
Wriggling: verb. To move a long with a twisting.
Smouldering: adjective. To show suppressed, anger or hate.
cock roach: noun. A straight-winged insect with a flat, black body, slender legs and long feelers.
Filthy: adjective. Dirty.
Maggot: noun. a worm like insect larva, as the legless larva of housefly.
Utter: adjective. total, complete.
Froth: noun. foam. the whitish mass of bubbles formed on liquid slay shaking.
Golly: interj. An exclamation of surprise
ranting: adjective. to say or declaim violently.
Buckle: noun. a clasp for fastening a belt.
Riveted: verb. to fasten or fix firmly.
Flecks: noun. spot, stain.
Rage: a furious uncontrolled anger.
creep over: intransitive verb. to move slowly
brewing: noun. to begin to for as a storm.
Wobble: intransitive verb. to move unsteadily from side to side.
Teetered: intransitive verb. fall over from top heaviness.
Toppling: intransitive verb. tremble, waver
Tinkle: intransitive verb. to make a series of clinking sounds like a bell.
Bosom: noun. the human breast.
Rattle: intran. verb. to make a series of sharp, short sounds.
Smock: noun. an outer garment worn to protect the clothes.
Cluttered: to snatch or seize power, control
bellowed: to utter loudly o powerfully.
Swipe: noun hit with hard
ducked: down. to lower.
Compelled: to force, constrain.
Clotted: A thick coagulated mass or semi-solid lump as a blood
carbuncle: noun. a painful pus. bearing inflammation of the tissue beneath the skin.
Flinching: intran verb. to throw specially with force.
Midgets: a very small person.
Slamming: to hit with force a noise. slam a door.
Stunned: stupid.
Drummed out: intrans.verb. to expel from indigrace.
Tip: transitive verb. to overturn or upset.
Slimy: disgusting. filthy.
Soaked: to remain in liquid so as to become thoroughly.
Newt: noun. any of various small amphibious salamander.
Vouch: verb. to attest, affirm.
Altogether: wholly. completely.
unfairness: adjective no just or impartial.
Tilted: to argue.

15. THE SECOND MIRACLE

169 join the rush → join the crowd
fail to realise → understand
on the spur of the moment → phrase, suddenly, without planning it beforehand

to seat → v., to sit down

to rifle through → v. adv., to make a quick search, to have a look at

to trouble → v., to worry rather

170 dreadful → adj., awful, shocking, unpleasant

a great deal → a lot of time

wide-eyed → adj. clasif., with the eyes more open than usual

to expel → v., to eject someone from a school, because they have behaved badly

to rifle through → v. adv., to make a quick search, to have a look at

171 to pause → v., to stop moving or doing something for a moment

quite → adj., it’s used to indicate that something is almost true

I don’t think I quite follow you → I can’t understand what you say

to tie over → v., to fall over

to topple over → v., to become unsteady and fall over

to look steadily → v., to look in a calm, controlled way

steel-rimmed spectacles → glasses whose edges are made of steel

to will → v., to make something happen by using mental effort

flight of fancy → n., an idea that is imaginative but not practical

will → n., determination to do something

to wobble → v., to make small movements from side to side

to tilted → v., to change position so that one side is higher than the other

tinkle → n., a sound like a small bell ringing

stretched → adj., extended over his area

white → n., white part of someone’s eye

to struck her dumb → phrase, to become suddenly unable to speak

to gape → v., to look at someone or something with surprise

to lean → v., to bend your body in that direction

to lift → v., to move a part of your body to a higher position

glazed → adj., with a dull, with not interesting expression

speechless → adj., unable to speech temporarily

blaze of silence →

to stir yourself → v., to move yourself in order to do something

seraphic calm →

176 awestruck → adj., very impressed and amazed by something

to gaze → v., to look steadily, for a long time

wonderment → n., feeling of amazement and admiration

to gasp → v., to breathe quick because of you’re surprised or in pain

to gather → v. 1- to bring together again

2- to pick up

16.- MISS HONEY’S COTTAGE

177 Lumps : a piece or mass of solid matter without regular shape or no particular shape.

Naked : being without clothing or covering, nude.

Gush : to flow out or issue suddenly, copiously or forcibly, as a fluid from confinement, pour.

Scatter : to throw loosely about

Topple : to fall forward, as from top heaviness or weakness.

Work up : to move or stir the feelings of, excite

Tread : to set down the foot or feet in walking, step, walk.

Evil : morally wrong or bad, immoral.

Wise : Having the power of discerning and judging properly as to what is true or right.

Dealing : interaction

180 Bowled over : surprised greatly.

Conceit : an excessively favourable opinion of one’s own ability importance.

Glimmer : a faint or unsteady light

keep up : to persevere, continue.

181 hedges : some rows of bushes or small trees planted close together.
Hawthorn: any of various trees of the genus ‘Hirecadium’, with stiff thorns and bright-coloured fruit often cultivated as hedges.

Berries: simples fruits having a pulpy pericarps in which the seeds are embedded, as the grape.

Ripening: ripe: mature

scarlet: a bright red colour inclining toward orange.

Come along: to appear.

Oak: any tree or shrub of the beech family, bearing the acorn as a fruit.

Sycamore: (also called buttonwood): any plane tree of East North America, having palmately lobed leaves, globular seed heads, and wood valued as timber.

Ash: any of various trees of the olive family, having opposite, pinnate leaves and purplish flowers in small clusters.

Leaves: (pl. of leaf): one of the expanded, usu. green organs borne by the stem of a plant.

Bark: the external covering of the woody stems, branches, and roots of plants, as distinct and separable from the wood itself.

Trunk: the main stem of a tree, as distinct from the branches and roots.

Gap: a break or opening.

182 Rutter: a farrow or track in the ground, especially one made by the passage of vehicles.

Cart-track: a heavy two-wheeled vehicle, commonly without springs, drawn by draft animals and used to convey heavy goods.

Hazel: any small tree or shrub of the birch family, having toothed ovate leaves and edible nuts.

Cluster: a number of things of the same kind, growing or held together.

Nuts: a dry fruit consisting of an edible kernel or meat enclosed in a woody or leathery shell.

Squirrels: any arboreal-bushy-tailed belonging to the family sciuridae

bleak: bare, desolate and often windswept.

183 Sun-baked-mud-tracks: a path that it is a bit wet but that it is dry by the heat of the sun.

Half-buried: it isn’t buried completely, (buried: put in the ground and covered with earth).

184 Red-brick: a block of clay hardened by drying in the sun or burning in a kiln and used for building, paving, etc.

Dwelling: dwell: to live or stay as a permanent resident.

Crumbly: full of crumbs (a small particle of break, cake.

Slate: a fine-grained rock forward by the metamorphosis of clay, shet, etc., that tends to split along parallel cleavage planes, at an angle to the planes of stratification

wilderness: protection

nettles: any oplant of the genus urtice, covered with slaging hairs.

Thorn: a hard, sharp outgrowth on a plant, especially a sharp-pointed aborted branch.

Overshadow: to exceed in importance or significance.

Enfold: to wrap up, envelop.

Tales: a narrative that relates some real or imaginary incident, story.

Loping (v.lope): to move or run with bounding steps, as a quadruped, or with a long, easy stride, as a person.

Bleating: (bleat): to utter the cry of a sheep or goat, or a sound resembling such a cry.

Blithely: (blithe): lighthearted in disposition, cheerful.

Leap: to spring through the air from one point or position to another, jump.

Lair: a secret retreat or base of operations

flockered: to gather or go in a flock (flock: a large group of people or things).

Dew: moisture condensed from the atmosphere, esp. at night, and deposited in the form of small drops upon any cool surface.

Dipped: a moderate or temporary decrease.

186 Woodcutter: a person who point or impress from such a block.

Fairy-tale: a story of fairies (fairy one of a class of supernatural beings, generally conceived as having a diminute human form and possessing magical powers.

Flackey: like flakes. (flake: a small, flat, thin piece, esp. one that has been or become detached from a larger piece or mass.

Keyhole: stoop: to bend the head and shoulders, or the body generally, forward and downward from an erect position.

Sink: a basin, usu. connected with a water supply and drainage system used for washing.

Tap: a cylindrical plug or stopper for closing and opening through which liquid is drawn.

Shelf: a thin slab of wood, metal, etc. fixed horizontally to a wall or in a frame, for supporting objects.

187 Bucket: a deep, cylindrical container, usu. of metal, plastic or wood, with a flat bottom and a semicircular bail.

Rope: a strong, thick line or cord.
188  **Bemused**: confused  
   **dangling**: to hang loosely.  
   **Slack**: not tight or tense, loose

189  **hearth**: the floor of a fireplace, usu. of a stone, brick, etc.  
   **roaring away**: functioning or moving with a loud, deep sound, as a vehicle  
   **loaf**: a portion of break or cake.  
   **Tray**: a flat, shallow container or receptacle, usu. with slightly raised edges, used for carrying, holding or displaying articles.  
   **Mug**: a cylindrical drinking cup with a handle.

193  **Dreadful**: You can use dreadful to emphasize the degree or extent of something bad.  
   **Stove**: a stove is an apparatus which provides heat for heating a room or for cooking.  
   **Stiff**: stiff behaviour is rather formal and not very friendly or relaxed.  
   **Further**: if you say you will go further in a discussion, you mean you will make a more extreme or more detailed statement.  
   **Polish**: if you polish something you rub it with a cloth to make it shine.  
   **Junk**: junk food is food that is not very good for your health but is easy and quick to prepare.

194  **Hunch up**: if you hunch up somewhere you draw your shoulders towards each other and lower your chin towards your chest.  
   **Tight**: you use tight to describe things that are very close together.  
   **Grip**: if you grip something you take hold of it with your hand and continue to hold it firmly.  
   **Stare**: If you stare something you look at it for a long time.  
   **Awkward**: someone who is awkward behaves in a shy or embarrassed way.  
   **Rouse**: if you rouse yourself to do something is make yourself get up and do it.  
   **Bound**: if something is bound to happen it is certain to happen.  
   **Wise**: someone who is wise is able to use their knowledge in order to make sensible decisions and judgements.  
   **Stagger**: if something staggers you it surprises you very much.  
   **Lack**: if you lack something you do not have it.

195  **Sip**: if you sip drink, you drink by taking just a small amount at a time.  
   **Tuck**: if you tuck something somewhere you put it there so that it is safe or comfortable.

197  **Deal**: a good deal of something is a lot of it.  
   **Stun**: if you are stunned by something you are very shocked by it.  
   **Gasp**: a gasp is a short quick breath of air that you take through your mouth, especially when you are surprised or in pain.

198  **Shrug**: if you shrug your shoulders you raise them to show that you are not interested in something or that you don’t know or care about it.  
   **Clasp**: if you clasp something you hold it tightly in your hands.  
   **Tremble**: if you tremble you shake slightly, usually because you are frightened or cold.

199  **Cow**: if someone is cowed, they are made afraid or made to behave in a particular way because they have been frightened or oppressed.

200  **Dare**: if you dare to do something you have enough courage to do it.  
   **Jelly**: a clear food made from gelatine, which is usually sweetened.

201  **Gut**: Gut is courage.

202  **Pluck**: if you pluck up the courage to do something frightened, you make an effort to be brave enough to do it.  
   **Steel**: if you steel yourself you prepare to deal with something unpleasant.  
   **Mumble**: you if you mumble speak very quietly and indistinctly so that the words are difficult to understand.

204  **Snug**: if you are snug you feel warm and comfortable.

205  **Forgery**: forgery is the crime of forging things such banknotes, documents, or paintings

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206  **bring up** → v., to educate  
   **no wonder** → I’m not surprised  
   **grab** → v., to pick something up suddenly and roughly  
   **pigtail** → n., a length of hair that has been divided into three and then plaited  
   **fence** → n., barrier made of wood or wire supported by posts
amazing → adj., surprising and admirable
push over → v., to push something so that it fall onto the ground
at once → adv., immediately
rotten → adj., unfair, unpleasant
gate → n., structure like a door that is used at the entrance to a field, a garden, or the grounds of a building
tiny → adj., extremely small
little bit of → a small piece of...

snippet → n., a small piece
ponder → v., to think about something carefully
path → n., way, road, track
call out → v., to shout

Ponder: thought deeply about.

Called out: desafió.

Tough: difficult.
determined to: decidido a.
cleared: removed.
settled herself: instaló.
sparks: chispas.

summon up: evocar.
trigger: gatillo.
gasped: suspiró.

sheer: authentic.
come together: se juntan.

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stretched: las estiró.
positive: segura.
jolly sore: me dolía terriblemente.
smart-aleck: pedante.
cheeky: descarado.

reassembled: se volvió a reunir.
apprehensive: inquietos.
doom: de la muerte.
strode: entró dando zancadas.
breeches: pantalón bombacho.
smock: bata.
slimy: baboso.
tigress: tigresa.
boomed: resonó.
scowling: mirando con el ceño fruncido.

rolling-pin: rodillo de amasar.
barked: ladró.
stammered: tartamudeó.
ventured: atrevió.
napped: gritó.
get on with it: vamos.
blithering idiot: imbécil.

festered gumboll: flemón purulento.
fleabitten fungus: hongo venenoso.
stagnant cesspool: pedazo de alcornoque.
monkey-nuts: cacahuetes.
nutty: loco.
flustered: confundido.
bursting blister: ampolla reventada.
moth-eaten maggot: gusano asqueroso.

shrill: penetrante.
hovering: se movía.
blazes: demonios.
yelled: gritó.

221 gasp: grito ahogado.
glanced swiftly: miró rápidamente.
strangled gasps: sonidos entrecortados.
tinkle: tintineo.
resume: ocupar.
stretched full-length: toda larga.
out for the count: fuera de combate.
postrate: boca abajo.
fainted: desmayado.
out cold: sin conocimiento.
leapt up: dio un salto.
tipped: volcó.

225 motionless: inmóvil.
elated: exultante.
surging up: que se concentraba.
gushing: que corriía.
sorching hot: abrasador.
eye-sockets: cuencas.
by golly: caramba!
floored: la ha vencido.
grinning: sonriendo.
sick-room: enfermería.
stagger: andar tambaleándose.
wiped out: borró.
filling out of: salió.

21. A NEW HOME

227 PAINTING-FIT: Desmayo
TIGHT-LIPPED:
DEPUTY HEAD: Subdirector
ENQUIRE: Preguntar, investigar
TUCKED AWAY: Escondida
WOODS: Bosque
BUNK: (To do a bunk): To leave suddenly a place without telling anyone
TO VANISH: Esfumarse
REGISTERED: Certificado
WILL: Voluntad, testamento
RAIGHTFULL: Legítimo
LIFETIME: A lo largo de la vida
TO APPOINT: Nombrar

229 TO BUTTER: Untar con mantequilla
GUESS: Suposición
TO STRUGGLE: Luchar
TO BUBBLE: Hacer burbujas
TO BOTTLE UP: Embotellar
TO STRIVE: Esforzarse
TO PERCH: Posarse
STOOL: Taburete
HEDHOG: Erizo
TO SET OUT: Disponerse a hacer algo
GATE: Puerta

232 UTTER: Total, completo

233 FRANTIC: Frenético
STUFFING: Llenando
LOUSY: Asqueroso
SNAPPED: Contestó bruscamente
MESS ABOUT WITH: Jugar, divertirse con
TO BEAT IT: Largarse
TO TURN AWAY: Volver la cabeza
CLIPPERS: Tijeras

235 TO RACE: Correr
GRAVEL: Grava
TO STRAIGHTEN: Enderezar, poner derecho
TO PANT: Jadear
TO FLUSH: Ruborizarse
CRIMSON: Carmesí
BUNCH: Grupo de gente
CROOK: Maleante

236 TO TIP OFF: Avisar, advertir
TO RUN OFF: Huir
LAWN: Césped
TILE: Teja
EAGERLY: Ilusionada

237 TO GRASP: Agarrar
WRIST: Muñeca
DASH: Carrera

238 BOOT: Maletero
ANT: Hormiga
TO PILE: Amontonar
TO DASH: Ir deprisa

239 TO STOW: Meter

240 TO LEAP: Saltar
TO HUG: Abrazar
TYRES: Neumático
TO PULL AWAY: To start to drive more quickly than another person.