

## PERCY JACKSON AND THE OLYMPIANS: THE LIGHTNING THIEF VOCABULARY

These vocabulary words for The Lightning Thief are broken down into sections of 4-5 chapters, with 15 words per set of chapters. Each set of vocabulary words contains a page with the list of words (with room for students to write in the definitions and use the word in a sentence) and a corresponding quiz.

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### **The Lightning Thief Vocabulary: Chapters 1-4**

1. Wispy: Thin or weak

Example: He must've been held back several grades, because he was the only sixth grader with acne and the start of a wispy beard on his chin.

2. Spawn:

3. Vital:

4. Triumphant:

5. Pulverize:

6. Shriveled:

7. Contaminate:

8. Squall:

9. Solstice:

10.Nauseous:

11.Smother:

12.Anxiety:

13.Cloven:

14.Falter:

15.Disintegrate:

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**The Lightning Thief QUIZ: Chapters 1 – 4****MATCHING: Match the correct term to its definition for questions 1- 8**

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|----------------|-----------------|
| A. Wispy       | E. Solstice     |
| B. Vital       | F. Smother      |
| C. Pulverize   | G. Cloven       |
| D. Contaminate | H. Disintegrate |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. To make harmful or unusable
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Either of two times of the year when the sun is at its greatest distance from the equator
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. To demolish or crush completely
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. To deprive of oxygen and prevent from breathing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Urgently needed, very important, or absolutely necessary
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Split, divided
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Thin or weak
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. To break apart or separate

**MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the best answer for 9-15**

9. The offspring or product of
- A. Son
  - B. Seize
  - C. Spawn
  - D. Smother
10. Triumphant is best described as
- A. Having achieved victory or success
  - B. Anything having to do with a trumpet
  - C. A march in a parade
  - D. Being annoyed or irritable
11. Something that old, withered and wrinkled could be described as:
- A. Old
  - B. Shriveled
  - C. Weird

D. Grumpy

12. Sudden violent gusts of wind with precipitation would best be described as:

- A. Tsunamis
- B. Snow storms
- C. Flooding
- D. Squalls

**Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word:**

13. "He just kept on collecting paychecks, spending the money on cigars that made me \_\_\_\_\_, and on beer, of course

- A. Nauseous
- B. Angry
- C. Contagious
- D. Solemn

14. For a moment, I thought I saw \_\_\_\_\_ in her eyes-the same fear I'd seen in Grover during the bus ride

- A. Hope
- B. Glitter
- C. Hallucination
- D. Anxiety

15. "Percy," my mother said, "we have to..." Her voice \_\_\_\_\_

- A. Faltered
- B. Screeched
- C. Protested
- D. Flailed

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The Lightning Thief Vocabulary: Chapters 5-8

1. Gingerly: With extreme care or delicacy

Example: "He took the empty glass from me gingerly, as if it were dynamite, and set it back on the table.

2. Pseudonym:

3. Metaphysical:

4. Endeavor:

5. Convergence:

6. Obliterate:

7. Mausoleum:

8. Emphasis:

9. Saunter:

10. Gawk:

11. Consist:

12.Carnage:

13.Gaudy:

14.Taunt:

15.Liability:

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## The Lightning Thief QUIZ: Chapters 5 – 8

**MATCHING: Match the correct term to its definition for questions 1- 8**

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|--------------|-----------------|
| A. Consist   | E. Metaphysical |
| B. Gingerly  | F. Saunter      |
| C. Mausoleum | G. Convergence  |
| D. Gaudy     | H. Liability    |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. The state of being legally responsible
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Extravagant and tastelessly showy
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. To be composed of
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. To walk leisurely with no apparent aim
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. A large burial chamber, usually above ground
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. The occurrence of two or more things coming together.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Relating to things that are thought to exist but can't be seen.
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. With extreme care or delicacy

**MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the best answer for 9-15**

9. The word emphasis means:
- A. Emotional
  - B. Something that is old or outdated
  - C. Special importance or significance
  - D. To say something in a different way than normal
10. An endeavor is best described as:
- A. Having achieved victory or success
  - B. Someone who explores in caves
  - C. A person who is half human and half god
  - D. An attempt to achieve a goal
11. To do away with completely, without leaving a trace is to
- A. Obliterate
  - B. Shriveled
  - C. Melt
  - D. Disintegrate

12. The savage killing of many people would best be described as:

- A. Destruction
- B. Carnage
- C. Cavernous
- D. Disruption

**Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word:**

13. Mr. Brunner was Chiron's \_\_\_\_\_, or the fake name he went by when he was a teacher at Percy's school.

- A. Teacher
- B. Friend
- C. Pseudonym
- D. Nickname

14. After the incident in the bathroom, "Clarisse and her friends were sprawled in the mud, and a bunch of other campers had gathered around to \_\_\_\_\_."

- A. Gawk
- B. Squawk
- C. Tattle
- D. Help Percy

15. During Capture the Flag, "The red team yelled \_\_\_\_\_ at us as they headed off toward the north."

- A. Cheers
- B. Screams
- C. Tantrums
- D. Taunts



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The Lightning Thief Vocabulary: Chapters 9-12

1. Quest: the act of searching for something

Example: After lessons, she would walk away muttering to herself:

“Quest...Poseidon? ... Dirty rotten... Got to make a plan...”

2. Grimace:

3. Celestial:

4. Usurp:

5. Prevail:

6. Intervene:

7. Wrath:

8. Confront:

9. Feign:

10. Vulnerable:

11. Obscure:

12. Impulsive:

13. Impertinent:

14. Indignant:

15. Nostalgic:

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## The Lightning Thief QUIZ: Chapters 9 – 12

**MATCHING: Match the correct term to its definition for questions 1- 8**

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|--------------|----------------|
| A. Prevail   | E. Obscure     |
| B. Wrath     | F. Quest       |
| C. Celestial | G. Impertinent |
| D. Feign     | H. Nostalgic   |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. To make unclear or blurred
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. A desire or longing for familiar things, people, or past happiness
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Improperly forward, bold, or rude
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Relating to or inhabiting a divine heaven
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Extreme and intense anger
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. To pretend to be affected by
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. To prove superior or more powerful
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The act of searching for something

**MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the best answer for 9-15**

9. The word indignant means:
- A. To be improperly rude or bold
- B. Angered at something unjust or wrong
- C. Not knowing the difference between two things
- D. In a manner that is very undignified and far from proper
10. An act done hastily or without thought is best described as:
- A. Impulsive
- B. Indignant
- C. Impertinent
- D. Usurp
11. To seize or take control, possibly by force and without authority
- A. Undo
- B. Vulnerable
- C. Feign
- D. Usurp

12. A grimace would best be described as:

- A. Someone who is a menace to society
- B. A small creature that is very ugly and evil and often lives in very dark places
- C. A twisted expression on someone's face, usually expressing disgust or pain.
- D. A feeling of intense anger or hatred

**Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word:**

13. And I should warn you: as a demigod, you can be killed by either celestial or normal weapons. You are twice as \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Dangerous
- B. Impulsive
- C. Indignant
- D. Vulnerable

14. "I'm supposed to go to the Underworld and \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord of the Dead."

- A. Confront
- B. Feign
- C. Grimace
- D. Dance with

15. Unless someone \_\_\_\_\_, unless the master bolt is found and returned to Zeus before the solstice, there will be war.

- A. Obscures
- B. Intervenes
- C. Entangles
- D. Taunts

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The Lightning Thief Vocabulary: Chapters 13-17

1. Deceitful: Guilty of misleading others or misrepresenting the truth

Example: Percy, you can't barter with Hades. You know that right? He's deceitful, heartless, and greedy

2. Tentative:

3. Radiate:

4. Emit:

5. Plummet:

6. Revelation:

7. Proposition:

8. Temperamental:

9. Smug:

10. Inflict:

11. Conquer:

12. Vagrant:

13.Morale:

14.Sustain:

15.Qualm:

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The Lightning Thief QUIZ: Chapters 13 – 17

**MATCHING: Match the correct term to its definition for questions 1- 8**

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|------------------|--------------|
| A. Temperamental | E. Emit      |
| B. Vagrant       | F. Inflict   |
| C. Morale        | G. Tentative |
| D. Revelation    | H. Qualm     |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. To give off or send forth  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Unsettled in mind or opinion  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Uneasy feelings of worry, doubt, or fear  
\_\_\_\_\_ 4. A wander that has no settled home or regular work  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5. To cause something unpleasant to be suffered  
\_\_\_\_\_ 6. A state of overall well being  
\_\_\_\_\_ 7. Likely to undergo sharp and unreasonable mood changes  
\_\_\_\_\_ 8. An enlightening or surprising and previously unknown fact

**MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the best answer for 9-15**

9. The word sustain means:
- A. To reuse and recycle paper and plastic
  - B. Angered at something unjust or wrong
  - C. Anything having to do with an unknown substance
  - D. To strengthen or support mentally or physically
10. To overcome or take control is to:
- A. Be filled with
  - B. Conquer
  - C. Defeat an enemy
  - D. Inflict
11. Showing excessive pride or satisfaction in oneself can be described as:
- A. Smug

- B. Qualm
- C. Tentative
- D. Deceitful

12. The word radiate means to:

- A. A heating unit for a home
- B. To send out rays or waves
- C. Send something back to its original location
- D. Have a feeling of intense anger or hatred

**Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word:**

13. "Percy, you can't barter with Hades. You know that right? He's \_\_\_\_\_, heartless, and greedy."

- A. Deceitful
- B. Impulsive
- C. Indignant
- D. Vulnerable

14. My clothes on fire poison coursing through my veins, I \_\_\_\_\_ toward the river.

- A. Radiated
- B. Feigned
- C. Plummeted
- D. Skipped

15. "Dangerous world out there. Which brings me to my \_\_\_\_\_. I need you to do me a favor."

- A. Revelation
- B. Qualm
- C. Morale
- D. Proposition



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The Lightning Thief Vocabulary: Chapters 18-22

1. Baleful:

2. Melancholy:

3. Predicament:

4. Charisma:

5. Ultimatum:

6. Impede:

7. Feint:

8. Odyssey:

9. Replica:

10. Impudence:

11. Clamor:

12. Unanimous:

13. Oblige:

14.Apt:

15.Vengeance

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The Lightning Thief QUIZ: Chapters 18 – 22

**MATCHING: Match the correct term to its definition for questions 1- 8**

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|---------------|--------------|
| A. Vengeance  | E. Apt       |
| B. Melancholy | F. Odyssey   |
| C. Clamor     | G. Ultimatum |
| D. Impudence  | H. Unanimous |

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Appropriate or suitable in the circumstances
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. In complete agreement
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Feelings of deep sadness or depression with no obvious cause
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. To make loud noise or demands
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. A final demand
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. A long, wandering, and eventful journey
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. The trait of being rude, bold, and lacking respect
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. The act of taking revenge

**MULTIPLE CHOICE: Circle the best answer for 9-15**

9. The word oblige means:

- A. To refuse a service
- B. To make someone do something
- C. To have good manners
- D. To thank another person

10. A copy that is not the original but appears the same is a:

- A. Copycat
- B. Republican
- C. Synonym
- D. Replica

11. To delay or prevent something is to:

- A. Impede
- B. Qualm

- C. Bore
- D. Deceive

12. The word baleful means to:

- A. A silo full of hay bales
- B. To send out rays or waves
- C. Threatening or foreshadowing evil or tragic occurrences
- D. Have a feeling of intense anger or hatred

**Fill in the blank with the most appropriate word:**

13. I got close enough to strike, tried to fake him out with a \_\_\_\_\_, but my blow was knocked aside.

- A. Feint
- B. Fate
- C. Falsify
- D. Fortitude

14. Hades had the same intense eyes, the same kind of mesmerizing, evil \_\_\_\_\_.

- A. Thoughts
- B. Face
- C. Karma
- D. Charisma

15. "But Grover's going to fail if we don't catch him." She was right of course. Grover's \_\_\_\_\_ got me moving again.

- A. Goat
- B. Predicament
- C. Shoes
- D. Prediction