

Vocabulary for
Rump: The (Fairly) True Tale of Rumpelstiltskin (2013)
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Chapter 1 – Your Name Is Your Destiny (pp. 1–7)

- pried (1) – separated
- pixies (2) – little fairies
- gnomes (2) – dwarfish creatures
- destiny (2) – future
- midwife (2) – a person who helps a woman in childbirth
- rations (5) – food supplies
- translucent (5) – clear
- sluice (6) – a kind of box used to separate gold from other substances

Chapter Two – Spinning Wheels and Pixie Thrills (pp. 8–16)

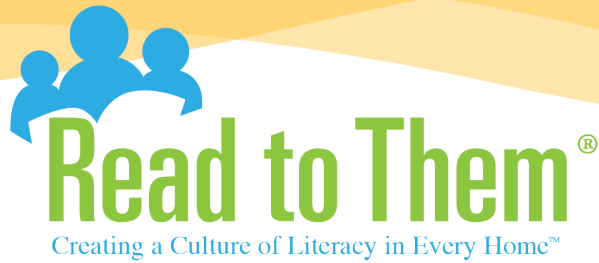
- gooseberry (9) – a grape-like berry
- glum (11) – depressing
- tethered (11) – tied
- warped (12) – twisted
- pestering (15) – bothering

Chapter Three – The Greedy Miller and His Daughter (pp. 17–23)

- hoards (18) – collections
- rickety (18) – old and weak
- swindler (19) – cheat
- tic (21) – a habitual movement
- brew (22) – make
- smug (23) – self-satisfied
- converged on (23) – approached

Chapter Four – Red and Her Grandmother (pp. 24–29)

- bestow upon (25) – give
- gravelly (26) – deep and rough
- gnarled (27) – knobby and twisted
- crabby (27) – irritable
- addled (27) – confused
- shaft (29) – ray



Chapter Five – Fluff to Mouse, Mouse to Mice (pp. 30–35)

- peddler (30) – traveling salesman
- feeble (31) – weak
- grave (34) – serious

Chapter Six – Gold! Gold! Gold! (pp. 36–39)

- illuminating (36) – lighting up
- bobbin (38) – a cylinder on which thread is wound
- vibrant (39) – clear
- hulking (39) – large

Chapter Seven – Gold Means Food (pp. 40–48)

- dread (40) – fear
- wary (42) – cautious
- flared (45) – widened
- subdued (47) – quiet
- gleefully (48) – triumphantly, with joy

Chapter Eight – Gold Means Secrets (pp. 49–52)

- staggered (49) – walked unsteadily
- melancholy (50) – sad
- sorrow (51) – sadness
- skeins (51) – loosely coiled thread or yarn

Chapter Nine – Gold Found, Treasure Lost (pp. 53–61)

- grueling (53) – exhausting
- brandishing (55) – waving in a menacing way
- tragic (56) – sad
- notch (58) – one of the holes in a belt
- begone (58) – go away
- rancid (59) – sour
- runny (59) – watery
- frail (61) – weak

Chapter Ten – Unfair Bargains (pp. 62–65)

- despised (62) – hated
- hauled (63) – dragged something heavy
- befallen (63) – happened to
- quench (64) – satisfy



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Chapter Eleven – King Barf (pp. 66–72)

- procession (67) – parade
- brainy (68) – smart
- sustained (69) – supported
- numbskull (70) – idiot
- flitted (70) – flew quickly and lightly
- exhilaration (71) – excitement
- plummeting (71) – falling quickly

Chapter Twelve – The Miller’s Lie (pp. 73–78)

- blurted (73) – said suddenly and without thinking
- half-wit (73) – fool
- deceitful (75) – dishonest
- blathered (75) – babbled
- cradled (76) – held gently
- reprimanding (77) – scolding

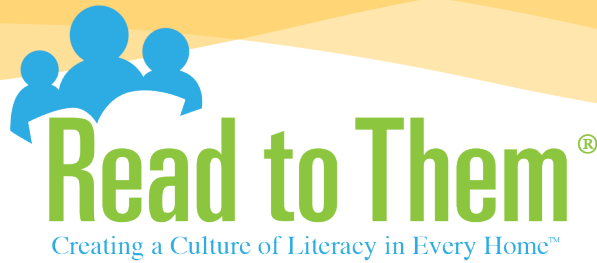
Chapter Thirteen – The Witch of the Woods (pp. 79–91)

- eerie (80) – strange and frightening
- raspy (80) – hoarse
- the pox (82) – smallpox, an illness with a rash
- materialized (82) – appeared
- lure (83) – tempt
- surly (84) – sulky, with a bad attitude
- abused (85) – misused, hurt on purpose
- rubbish (87) – trash
- meddled (88) – interfered

Chapter Fourteen – Rump to the Rescue (pp. 92–105)

- knit (92) – wrinkled
- ornery (92) – stubborn and cranky
- satchel (93) – a kind of bag carried on the shoulder
- wind (96) – twist
- chamber (97) – bedroom
- rascal (99) – trouble-maker
- glamorous (100) – exciting
- hulking (101) – large
- rancid (103) – sour
- bestowed (104) – gave
- transfixed (104) – fascinated

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Chapter Fifteen – Straw, Straw, Straw (pp. 106–112)

- idle (107) – unimportant
- mystified (109) – confused
- beyond compare (110) – better than all others
- agony (110) – extreme pain
- whims (111) – desires
- succumb (111) – submit

Chapter Sixteen – One Bargain Too Many (pp. 113–119)

- ratted (115) – puffed out with tangles
- melded (116) – attached
- mirthless (116) – bitter
- flurry (118) – bustle

Chapter Seventeen – Martha’s Endless Tales (pp. 120–129)

- commoner (120) – an ordinary person
- hearty (121) – cheerful
- pinched (121) – stole
- hooligans (122) – troublemakers
- stalwart (122) – loyal
- vigilant (123) – watchful
- crops (124) – food
- calamities (125) – disasters
- at someone's beck and call (127) – always ready to obey their orders

Chapter Eighteen – In Search of a Stiltskin (pp. 130–137)

- dingy (132) – dirty
- glee (134) – delight
- edible (136) – safe to eat
- bulbous (137) – bulging

Chapter Nineteen – Trolls, Witches, and Poison Apples (pp. 138–148)

- succulent (138) – juicy
- appetizing (141) – tasty
- fair (145) – beautiful
- maidens (145) – young women
- hospitable (146) – friendly
- trinkets (148) – small toys and jewelry



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Chapter Twenty – Trolls Smell, but They Also SMELL (pp. 149–158)

- tart (150) – slightly sour
- furtively (150) – secretly
- meddlesome (150) – interfering
- reek (151) – stink
- curdled (154) – thickened
- hoisted (155) – lifted
- sentimental (156) – emotional
- snarled (158) – tangled

Chapter Twenty-One – Yonder (pp. 159–164)

- lazing (160) – relaxing
- recoil (161) – drew back
- grime (161) – dirt
- willy-nilly (162) – randomly
- rickety (162) – shaky
- penetrating (163) – searching

Chapter Twenty-Two – The Wool Witches (pp. 165–178)

- intricately (165) – in a detailed manner
- aura (166) – feeling surrounding someone
- cross (166) – irritated
- stupor (167) – daze
- crabby (167) – irritable
- fluid (169) – graceful
- vibrant (170) – vivid
- enchantments (170) – spells
- eyed (171) – looked at
- dismay (174) – alarm
- swindled (174) – cheated
- wench (174) – mean term for a young woman
- remedy (175) – fix
- negotiate (175) – bargain
- pittance (175) – a tiny amount
- suffocates (176) – smothers
- wariness (178) – caution

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Chapter Twenty-Three – Growing Crazy (pp. 179–189)

- gravely (180) – seriously
- ornery (182) – stubborn and cranky
- gruff (184) – harsh
- intently (184) – closely
- merry (185) – happy
- britches (187) – short pants
- glitches (187) – problems
- delay (188) – hesitate
- oaf (189) – stupid person

Chapter Twenty-Four – Where There’s a Will, There’s No Way (pp. 190–197)

- decaying (191) – rotting
- boring (193) – piercing
- abundant (193) – plentiful
- crept (195) – moved slowly and silently
- ensnared (197) – trapped

Chapter Twenty-Five – Warnings from Red (pp. 198–202)

- withholding (199) – refusing to give
- wrath (200) – anger
- pound (200) – beat up
- nosey (201) – too curious

Chapter Twenty-Six – Destiny Calls (pp. 203–210)

- frigid (203) – very cold
- bracing (205) – preparing
- pelted (206) – rushed
- at knifepoint (207) – under the threat of being stabbed with a knife
- seething mad (207) – filled with intense anger
- sorry (208) – pitiful
- glowered (209) – glared angrily
- slumber (209) – sleep
- bleary (210) – blurry

Chapter Twenty-Seven – The Miller and the Merchant (pp. 211–218)

- bizarre (211) – strange
- satin (212) – a smooth, glossy fabric
- wail (212) – cry loudly
- girth (212) – stomach



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- rash (213) – reckless
- stocks (213) – a kind of punishment for criminals
- malicious (214) – spiteful
- racking (215) – painful
- insatiable (215) – greedy
- outlandish (217) – strange

Chapter Twenty-Eight – Grasping at Straws (pp. 219–228)

- feisty (219) – fierce
- swine (219) – pigs
- malevolently (220) – evilly
- cowered (222) – cringed
- slew (222) – large number
- revived (225) – refreshed
- racked (226) – searched

Chapter Twenty-Nine – Guessing Games for Finding Names (pp. 229–234)

- peevied (230) – annoyed
- manipulate (232) – control
- hoisted (233) – lifted

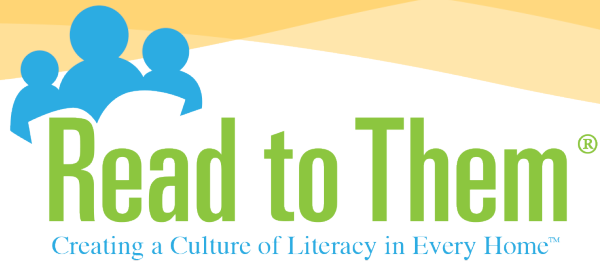
Chapter Thirty – The Stiltskin (pp. 235–244)

- snare (236) – trap
- flailing (237) – waving
- reek (238) – stink
- slathered (239) – smeared
- hysterics (239) – wild cries
- grimaced (240) – frowned
- unleashed (243) – set free
- throttling (244) – strangling

Chapter Thirty-One – Third Day’s the Charm (pp. 245–252)

- swaddled (245) – wrapped tightly in a blanket
- scoffed (246) – taunted
- gingerly (246) – very carefully
- crevice (246) – crack
- turrets (247) – small towers on top of larger towers
- welt (248) – a red mark left by a blow
- snarled (249) – growled
- manically (250) – wildly

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- converged (250) – came together
- incessant (251) – constant

Chapter Thirty-Two – From Small Things (pp. 253–256)

- melded (253) – attached
- pry (253) – separate
- unique (256) – special

Epilogue – Your Destiny Is Your Name (pp. 257–258)

- intertwined (258) – twisted together
- hollered (258) – yelled