The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks

Chapter Two Vocabulary

Word	Other Forms	Definition	Example
hobble (verb)		to limp, to have trouble walking	After he got hit by the ball, he hobbled off the field.
lore (noun)		tradition, especially in a story form	Our family lore says that my great-grandfather was a cir- cus clown.
ancestor (noun)	ancestral (adj)	a person you are descended from, usually farther back than a grandparent	My ancestors came to America in the 1700's.
plank (noun)		A board	The floor was made of planks .
haul (verb)	haul (noun)	To carry, especially some- thing heavy	The truck hauled a horse trailer behind it.
derby (noun)	bowler = the British word for the same style	A specific type of hat with a round crown and an upturned brim:	He wore a derby on his head.
horde (noun)		a large group (of people), an army, a tribe	There was a horde at the grocery store today.
stoop (verb)		to bend over, to be bent over	She stooped to pick up the pen that had fallen on the floor.

mule (noun)		a donkey	My farm had three mules in the pen.
livestock (noun)		farm animals	They had several different kinds of livestock on the farm.
occasional (adjective)	occasion (noun)	only happens sometimes, not regular	In the summer there are oc- casional thunderstorms.
pharmacy (noun)	pharmacist (noun)	a drugstore	Please pick up my prescrip- tion at the pharmacy .
idyllic (adjective)	idyll (noun)	very happy, peaceful, good looking, especially a place or an activity	The hidden campground was an idyllic spot.
peninsula (noun)		a piece of land surrounded on 3 sides by water	Florida is a peninsula.
shanty (noun)		a shack	My grandparents lived in a one-room shanty .
reinforce (verb)	reinforced (adj) reinforcement (noun)	to make stronger by adding something	The new soldiers reinforced the Third Infantry unit.
toxic (adjective)	toxin (noun)	poisonous, harmful	After the argument, my work site turned into a toxic environment.