Reading 5B

*Pages in My Head*

Endeavors

(Lessons 99–123)

Vocabulary—Context Sentences
1. When Markus was given his **script** for the program, he saw that he had a lot of lines to memorize.

2. Mom was upset with the mice that were **inhabiting** our house.

3. On the opening night of the opera, one of the soloists was sick, and the **understudy** had to take her place.

4. When my brother was learning to play the violin, I didn’t think I could **tolerate** the noise.
1. I besought my mother to let me have some ice cream with my cookies.

2. My father told me that the cookies I ate should suffice my hunger.

3. David said that to believe that seeing a black cat will give you bad luck is superstitious.

4. Our neighbors came to congratulate us on the birth of our new baby.
1. Our German shepherd, Fritz, defied our commands to come back when he saw a rabbit in the bushes.

2. Fritz nearly broke his chain when he assayed to run away.

3. When my sister fed dog food to our cat, he disdained it and walked away.

4. After playing outside in the December air, our cheeks were ruddy from the cold.

5. The burglars tried to hit the guard dogs with long staves.
1. The chandelier had fifty pieces of crystal reflecting the lights of thirteen separate bulbs.

2. Juan’s parents teach him proper etiquette for behavior at the dinner table.

3. Larry’s opponent in the wrestling match weighed ten pounds more than Larry.

4. Renee’s poise on the balance beam helped her complete the double somersault.
1. Since we didn’t have an umpire, we asked Jared to preside over the baseball game.

2. Ashley deliberately missed the basket so that her little sister could win the game.

3. Thomas scored a goal after he feinted to the left but kicked the ball to the right.

4. The girl sneered at James after she beat him in the spelling bee.

5. As she started her homework, Christina looked wistfully out the window at her friends playing.
1. We were awed by the beauty of the Swiss Alps.

2. Goliath thought he could defeat David by his brute strength.

3. We tried to remember the constellation names of the different star clusters.

4. John was in great pain when he tore the tendons that connect the muscles to his anklebone.
100-Meter Dash
Lesson 108

1. The Olympic boxer will **pummel** the punching bag at practice.
1. When Tim went to the **Rugby** game in England, he was surprised to find it similar to football.

2. As I took my test, I **mulled** over the answers to the difficult questions.

3. Our P.E. teacher encourages us to strengthen our muscles by having us do **calisthenics**.

4. Because of all the heavy lifting that my uncle does on his farm, he is **brawny**.
1. The knight was banished from the kingdom to a distant island because of his disloyalty.
1. As the man turned the crank of the hurdy-gurdy, the boy sang along with the music.

2. Now that she was ready to retire, the spinster would not even consider marriage.

3. In order to reach the lights in the gymnasium, the men had to build scaffolding.

4. The ship gently moved against the quay where the men stood ready to unload the ship’s cargo.
1. The knight wore the **gauntlet** to protect his hand as he fought.

2. The old lady showed us all the decorative **tapestries** that she had woven on her loom.

3. The fur on the prince’s coat was white and black-tipped **ermine**.

4. The **jacktar** had seen many fierce storms while sailing and enjoyed telling us about them.

5. Jason enjoyed helping his uncle **tinker**, mending pots and pans and other utensils.
1. Mrs. Patterson told the giggling girls they were being frivolous.

2. The adventures of King Arthur and his knights took place in medieval times.

3. William asked the Lord to help him overcome the vice of lying.
1. The young man studied theology to prepare himself for preaching God’s Word.

2. Julie walked about in a stupor, not seeing or hearing what was going on around her.

3. The fervent fans cheered for their team to win the game.

4. The pious preacher prayed three hours every day.
1. The birthday money from his grandma enabled Chris to buy a new bike.

2. My favorite story about Grandpa is an episode involving him and a mud puddle.

3. Generosity is one of Seth’s many virtues.
Vanity Fair
Lesson 119

1. Solomon wrote that all the temporal things of this world are **vanity**.

2. The archaeologist hoped to find an **ancient** relic in the Aztec ruins.

3. Before the teacher came into the room and quieted the students, there was a lot of **hubbub**.

4. The little boy in the fight said that the bigger boys were his **abusers**.
1. We tried to **persuade** our babysitter that Mom always gives us cookies before supper.

2. Because of the woman’s eyewitness testimony, the jury **convicted** the man of the robbery.

3. A **heretic** is someone who opposes the established religion.

4. The soldiers **scourged** the prisoner with a whip.
1. I climbed the steps of the **stile** up and over the fence into the cornfield.

2. Timothy was filled with **despair** when he realized he had lost his wallet and all his money.

3. When my twin sisters were born, our family was **doubly** blessed.
1. Todd lamented the death of his dog for several days.
2. Linda worked to her utmost to make the A honor roll.
3. The townspeople called the man who was always stirring up trouble a rogue.
4. Mountain lions, snakes, and rough terrain were the perils Thomas faced in the mountains.