

English 10 • A LONG WAY GONE • Power Words & Definitions

Instructions

LISTED BELOW ARE the power words for *A Long Way Gone*, the page number on which they first appear and the corresponding definition with the word root, prefix, and/or suffix when applicable.



vicinity (p. 50) – noun
the area near or surrounding a particular place
ROOT: Latin *vicinus* – “neighbor”



indelible (*indelibly*, p. 51) – adjective/adverb
not able to be forgotten or removed
PREFIX: *in* – “not”



deviate (*deviated*, p. 58) – verb
depart from an established course
PREFIX: *de* – “away”



disconsolate (p. 65) – adjective
without consolation or comfort; unhappy
PREFIX: *dis* – “not” • SUFFIX: *ate* – “kind of state”



jubilation (p. 77) – noun
a feeling of great happiness and triumph.
SUFFIX: *ation* – “action, resulting state”



stagnant (p. 90) – adjective
showing no activity; dull and sluggish



vehement (*vehemently*, p. 96) – adjective/adverb
showing strong feeling; forceful, passionate, or intense



evince (*evinced*, p. 122) – verb
reveal the presence of a quality or feeling



skepticism (p. 171) – noun
doubt as to the truth of something
SUFFIX: *ism* – “doctrine, action or conduct”



predicament (p. 218) – noun
a difficult, unpleasant, or embarrassing situation