

OPEN COURT UNIT 4 LESSON 2 STUDY GUIDE

Unit 4 Lesson 2—Final Double Consonants

spill	hill	gull	smell	mess
odd	add	cliff	mitt	fuzz
all	still	fall	till	guess

Vocabulary

1. tokens	2. absolutely	3. non-returnable	4. vanish	5. rent
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*Not in Anthology's Glossary

Assignment #1-A-----Due _____

For vocabulary words 1--5, neatly and correctly write each word and its definition in your Language Arts spiral notebook. Always use the Glossary in your *Anthology* **first**.

Assignment #2-----Due _____

For each of the vocabulary words, 1—5 write a wonderful sentence which uses the word. Carefully **underline or highlight** the vocabulary word in the sentence.

Assignment #3-----Due _____

Answer your choice of one of the critical reasoning questions (3—10) in a **thoughtful paragraph**. Always begin with a topic sentence and carefully support your ideas using details and giving clear explanations.



Study Questions

- How many children are in Alexander's family and what are their names?
- How much money do Alexander and his siblings "start out" with?
- Alexander feels that many things aren't fair for him. If you were his friend and he explained why he felt his situation (with only bus tokens) wasn't fair, what would you tell him?
- If you were Alexander, how would you convince your grandparents that you would be responsible with the next money they might give you?
- Describe the consequences Alexander's father gave him for saying or doing things that he shouldn't. Give your opinion as to whether or not you agree that those consequences were appropriate.
- Pretend that Alexander is on trial for lack of responsibility and you are the judge. Is he guilty or innocent? Give your verdict and explain your rationale.
- Alexander and his siblings seem to frequently fight and call each other names. Do you think that their behavior is typical (usual) in families? Explain your answer.
- Alexander's father told him that he should save his money for college. How do you feel about his suggestion? Is it realistic? Explain your answer.
- Perhaps, one of the big ideas in this story is how to distinguish (tell the difference) between wants and needs. How would you categorize Alexander's purchases? (Explain.)
- Although the story doesn't address this fact, Alexander really owes someone money. Who does he owe and why? **AND** Why do you think the author didn't hold Alexander accountable for it in the story?