

OPEN COURT UNIT 4 LESSON 5 STUDY GUIDE

Unit 4 Lesson 5—Plurals

berries	bunnies	puppies	hobbies	pennies
guppies	ponies	babies	donkeys	families
dollars	horses	sleeves	cowboys	britches

Vocabulary

1. determined	2. volunteer	3. decent	4. collecting	5. backsmith
6. deadbeat	7. widow	8. rolling pin	9. skillet	10. buckboard
11. corral	12. coffin	13. bronco	14. suspicions	15. sagebrush
16. reined	17. posse	18. corpse	19. rawhide	20. divvy
21. moseyed	22. willies	23. clenched	24. bowie knife	

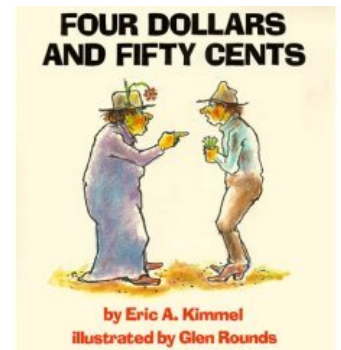
**Not in Anthology's Glossary*

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

For vocabulary words 1--24, 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—12 write a wonderful sentence which uses the word. (Next: 13—24.) Carefully **underline or highlight** the vocabulary word in the sentence.



Assignment #3-----Due _____

Answer your choice of one of the critical reasoning questions (2—6) in a **thoughtful paragraph**. Always begin with a topic sentence and carefully support your ideas using details and giving clear explanations.

Study Questions

1. What scheme can you devise that could help Widow Macrae get her money back from Shorty?
2. Research Shorty's debt to find out its value when corrected for inflation. Report your answer and tell where you found it.
3. What character traits does Widow Macrae have that makes her an ideal businesswoman for the Wild West? Explain.
4. What details support the statement that Shorty is a stubborn man? Explain.
5. This is a funny story. In your opinion, what was the funniest scene? Explain why you found it so amusing.
6. At the end of the story, both the widow and Macrae collected about \$250, but neither one wanted to give up their "\$4.50 problem." What does that tell you about both of these characters?
7. In your opinion, did illustrator Glen Rounds help to make the story funnier, or do you think it would have been just as funny without his pictures? Explain.