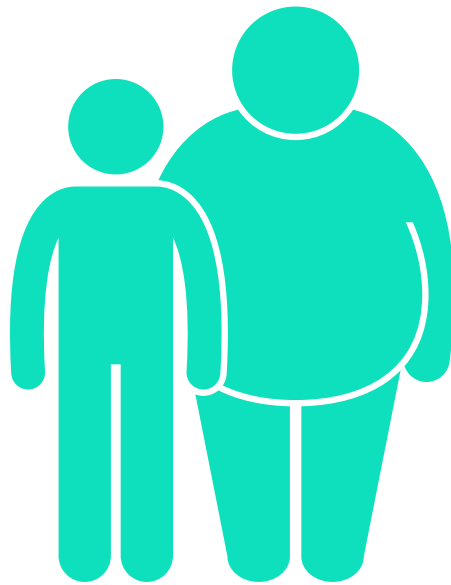


LEXONIK 

Vocabulary

Of Mice and Men



GCSE English Literature Key Vocabulary

Definitions and morphemic analysis



Introduction

This booklet helps support the explicit teaching of English Literature vocabulary. The words have been chosen for their relevance to the subject as well as their morphemic analysis.

Students undoubtedly need to understand subject specific vocabulary for their studies, but knowing the morphemic analysis will also allow students to make connections across the subject, across the curriculum and hand them the ability to find meaning at the point of need.

Each of the Key Vocabulary booklets could be handed to the students for their own study, but below are some possible teaching ideas.

Some teaching ideas:

Display the word without definition or morphemic analysis
Ask students – what does it mean and how do you know?
All students discuss the potential meanings

Display the morphemic analysis
Explore how understanding the morphemes (prefixes, suffixes and stems) allows them to find the meaning and develop a gist understanding without having to have a full definition

Explore vocabulary with shared morphemes. Are there common morphemes shared within particular genres? Where else have they encountered vocabulary with those morphemes?

Use new vocabulary in their own writing, both narrative and academic.

If you're interested in exploring the explicit teaching of vocabulary visit enquiries@lexonik.co.uk and ask about Lexonik Vocabulary, a cloud-based morphemic analysis and explicit vocabulary instruction platform.



Key Vocabulary

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segregation

- the enforced separation of different racial groups in a country or community

Morphemic analysis

/ se / apart, away; sow · prefix

/ greg / crowd · stem

/ tion / act, process, result · suffix

discrimination

- the act of treating someone differently (usually badly) because of their race, gender, beliefs, abilities, etc.

Morphemic analysis

/ dis / away, separation · prefix

/ crimin / crime, distinguish · stem

/ tion / act, process, result · suffix

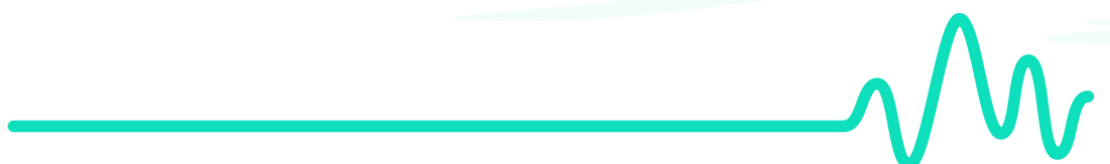
hostility

- unfriendly or aggressive behaviour towards people or ideas

Morphemic analysis

/ ity / state, condition, quality · suffix

/ hostile / · root



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isolation

- the act or result of cutting off an electrical supply; isola (Italian) - an island

Morphemic analysis

/ tion / act, process, result · suffix

/ isolate / from Italian "insula", meaning island · root

femininity

- womanliness, the state of being like a woman

Morphemic analysis

/ fem / female · stem

/ ity / state, condition, quality · suffix

depression

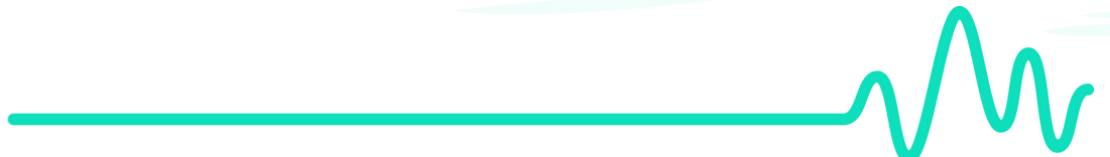
- a period of severe economic decline, especially in the USA with the Great Depression and globally from 1929-1939

Morphemic analysis

/ de / down; thoroughly · prefix

/ press / squeeze, press down · stem

/ sion / act, process, result · suffix



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pugnacious

- eager or quick to argue, quarrel, or fight.

Morphemic analysis

/ pug / fight · stem

/ ous / full of

migration

- the movement of persons from one place to another to find work

Morphemic analysis

/ migr / wander · stem

/ tion / act, process, result · suffix

derogatory

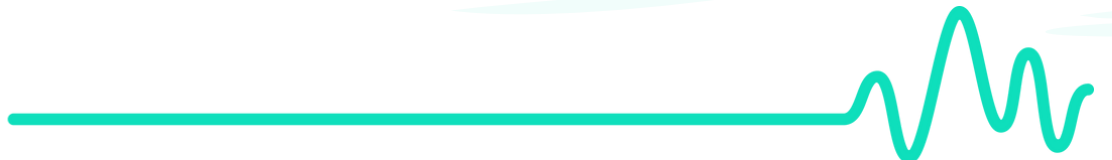
- implying that someone or something is unimportant or ridiculous; belittling, showing disrespect

Morphemic analysis

/ de / not · prefix

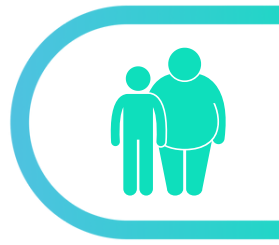
/ rog / ask, demand · stem

/ ory / to do with, a place for a specific activity · suffix



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impulsive

- acting or done without forethought

Morphemic analysis

/ im / in, into · prefix

/ pul / drive, urge · stem

/ ive / tending to, by nature · suffix

derision

- contemptuous ridicule or mockery

Morphemic analysis

/ de / away, down · prefix

/ ris / laugh · stem

/ sion / act, process, result · suffix

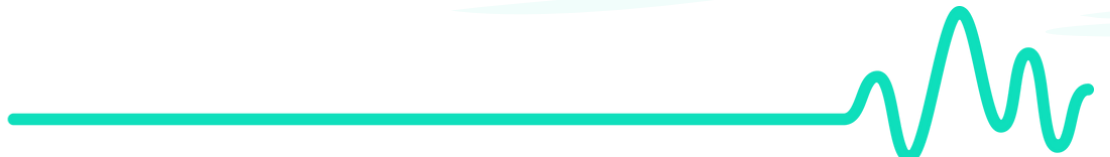
authority

- the quality of having power to give orders, being in control; a person or people with this quality

Morphemic analysis

/ ity / state, condition, quality · suffix

/ author / · root



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recumbent

- lying down

Morphemic analysis

/ re / back · prefix

/ cumb / lie down, recline, rest upon · stem

ominously

- giving the feeling that something bad will happen; threatening

Morphemic analysis

/ ous / by nature, full of · suffix

/ ly / in this way · suffix

/ omen / · root

apprehension

- anxiety or fear that something bad or unpleasant will happen

Morphemic analysis

/ ap / to, towards; for · prefix

/ pre / before · prefix

/ hend / grasp · stem

/ sion / act, process, result · suffix

