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Pages 3-20	Student-friendly definition
Acclaimed	Publicly praised by a lot of people
Crêpes Suzette	A sweet, French dessert
Agitating	To make someone feel anxious, nervous, and upset
Confrontational	Likely to cause arguments or to make people angry

Pages 23-42	Student-friendly definition
Phenomenal	Very great or impressive
Crossover*	A simple basketball move in which a player dribbles the ball quickly from one hand to the other
Podiatry	The treatment of the feet
Crook	A dishonest person
Ode	A poem or song written to praise a person or thing
Enshrine	Something that is preserved and protected so people will remember and respect it
Calamity*	An unexpected, undesirable event; often physically injurious

* Narrator defines vocabulary word within the story.

Pages 43-66	Student-friendly definition
Pythagoras	A Greek philosopher and mathematician
Patella Tendonitis*	A condition that arises when the muscle that connects the kneecap to the shin bone becomes irritated due to overuse; especially from jumping activities
Pulchritudinous*	Having great physical beauty and appeal
Limitations	The act or process of controlling or reducing something
Pages 67-85	Student-friendly definition
Hypertension*	A disease otherwise known as high blood pressure
Pages 86-99	Student-friendly definition
Moony	Dreamy or unaware of one's surrounding, usually due to being in love
Loafers	A flat leather shoe
Hummus	A Greek food made from chickpeas
Pages 100-120	Student-friendly definition
Ironic*	Having a curious or humorous unexpected sequence of events marked by coincidence
Pomegranate	A round fruit with juicy seeds
Opulent	Very beautiful, with a lot of decorations; made from expensive materials

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Pages 121-134	Student-friendly definition
Undefeated	Never lost a game

Pages 135-154	Student-friendly definition
Solemn	Very serious and not happy
Churlish*	Having a bad temper, and being difficult to work with
Deranged	Behaving crazy or in a dangerous way
Rebounding	To catch a basketball after a player has unsuccessfully scored a point
Foul	Illegal personal conduct in basketball
Flagrant	A shocking action; shows no respect
Profusely*	Pouring forth in great quantity

Pages 155-189	Student-friendly definition
Eavesdropping	To listen secretly to a conversation; to overhear on purpose
Heirloom	A valuable object that has been passed down through families
Estranged	No longer seeing or talking to

Pages 189-end	Student-friendly definition
Myocardial Infarction*	Occurs when blood flow to an area of the heart is blocked for a long enough time that part of the heart muscle is damaged or dies
Starless*	Without stars