

Vocabulary List for *A Day No Pigs Would Die* by Robert Newton Peck

*Words you may pull out as “academic vocabulary” or words students may find in reading for other content areas.
Others with specific definition for understanding this particular book.

Word	Part of Speech	Definition
curdle	verb	to thicken and sour
weaned	verb	to be broken for dependence on mother’s milk
flank	noun	side
*render	verb	to give or to present
ridge	noun	a range of hills, a hilltop
stout	adjective	strong, thick, sturdy
goiter	noun	an enlarged thyroid gland (in throat)
clergy	noun	ministers, officials of the church
hunker	verb	to squat
gullet	noun	throat
plumb	adjective	vertical, straight up and down
beholding	adjective	in debt to, owing thanks
*sired	verb	fathered
worldly	adjective	knowledgeable about the world, materialistic
buff	adjective	yellow, tan
flush	adjective	even, up against
gumption	noun	courage, enthusiasm, strength
abided	verb	obeyed, complied
*prosperous	adjective	financially successful
*tribulation	noun	trouble, sorrow
nook	noun	sheltered corner
*expulsion	noun	act of cutting someone out
*desecrate	verb	to make impure, treat sacred with disrespect
*partial	adjective	favoring, preferring
talons	noun	claws
furrow	noun	groove, narrow channel
brood	noun	group of offspring, able to bear young, able to have babies
*exhibition	noun	a public showing
paunch	noun	a pot-belly, a fat stomach
lance	verb	to cut or slice
hearth	noun	stone or brick floor of fireplace, a fireside
barren	adjective	unable to bear offspring
fester	verb	to form pus
gilded	adjective	covered with gold
*balked	verb	halted and refused to proceed

