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**Curtis Aikens and the American Dream
Think You Don't Need an Education?
Go For It!**

Vocabulary**Key Vocabulary Review**

Oral Review Work with a partner. Use these words to complete the paragraph.

ambitious**discouraged****profession****cause****fate****reputation****confession****literacy**

Last year, my cousin Amy made a (1) about a secret she had hidden for years. "I can't read," she said. "In school, I got a (2) as a lazy student because that's how everyone saw me. This (3) me so much that I didn't want to tell anyone the truth. Now I'll never have a good job or a (4) that I like." After that, Amy and I found a program for adult (5) that taught her to read and write. Soon she saw that her (6) was not set—she is very (7) and filled with big goals for the future. I've also changed because now I have a (8) that I am dedicated to help: I'm working with schools to teach teens how to read!