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Critical Vocabulary

Middlesex: a former county of SE England: became mostly part of N and W Greater London in 1965. A county in eastern Massachusetts - the setting of the first battle of the Revolutionary War on April 19, 1775.

moorings, [*plural*]: a place where a ship, boat, or aircraft may be moored. Moor: to secure (a ship, boat, dirigible, etc.) in a place, as by cables and anchors or by lines.

man-of-war /plural-men-of-war/: a warship, a ship built or armed for combat purposes. Also called **war vessel.**

spar: a stout pole such as those used for masts; a mast.

grenadier: British foot soldiers of the first regiment of the royal household.

stealthy tread: quiet, sneaky footsteps.

somber: gloomily dark; shadowy; dimly lighted.

sentinel: a person or thing that watches or stands as if watching.

impetuous: acting suddenly, on impulse.

saddle girth: the strap attaching a saddle to a horse's body.

spectral: ghostly.

Mystic: a short river flowing into Boston Harbor.

alder: tree of the birch family.

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Assignment

Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***Middlesex***

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Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***grenadier***

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Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***sentinel***

Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***saddle girth.***

Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***spectral***.

Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***Mystic.***

Choose the meaning that corresponds to the word: ***alder.***

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