

Vocabulary Quiz L. 15

Complete the paragraph.

wages - hardships - burden - crusaded - drop out - canneries - carefree - aided - ushers

During the Great Depression, children were very affected. Most of them had to _____ of school and find a job. They didn't want to be a _____ for their parents, but also having a job could prevent them from being sent to a foster home. Working in _____ managing tons of food, as _____ in theaters or in farms were common jobs. Children accepted to work for low _____, so employers preferred them over adult workers. Sometimes families subsisted with the child's salary alone.

These _____ affected children badly, as they couldn't enjoy a _____ childhood. Instead, they were surrounded by poverty, vice and violence. Eleanor Roosevelt was very worried about this and urged her husband to create programs for the young. She _____ for kids to stay in school, and _____ them by offering them part-time jobs that they could do safely after school.

Choose the sentence that shows the meaning of the vocabulary word.

1. lax

My parents let me play video games until 2:00 am if I want.

My parents are strict and they won't let me stay up late on weekdays.

2. tuition

My parents have created a fund so they can pay for college in the future.

The man was so happy because his boss had given him a raise.

3. undercover

The detective was pretending to be a hobo asking for some money.

The police officer showed his badge and introduced himself to the victim.

4. perennial

Some celebrations, like Christmas or Halloween, have existed for a long time.

Some years ago, the 12th of October was considered an important day, but not anymore.

5. insisted

The moment I said no, the man walked away.

I just had to hide because the man would not stop following me!

