

Gathering Blue

Chapter 2

VOCABULARY

A. Read the following sentences.

Choose the best definition (a, b OR c) for the words in **bold**.

- 1) Perhaps the simple fact of seeing her there at work would **deter** the women who hoped to drive her away.
 - a) To discourage someone from doing something.
 - b) To encourage someone to do something.
 - c) To make someone think about something.
- 2) While Kira looked on, the man **slapped** his son hard on the shoulder.
 - a) To touch softly or caress.
 - b) To tap.
 - c) To hit or strike.
- 3) Katrina's brother was **scolding** Dan for not doing what he was told.
 - a) Giving a piece of advice.
 - b) Reprimanding.
 - c) Whispering.
- 4) **Glaring**, Vandara menaced her, bending her elbow as if to throw a rock.
 - a) To look in an angry way.
 - b) To look in a loving way.
 - c) To look quickly.

5) The women all **glanced** towards the forest, deep in the shadows now: the place where the beasts waited .

- To look fixedly at something with your eyes open.
- To look quickly.
- To walk.

6) Her stomach **growled**, and she realized how hungry she was.

- To twist.
- To feel pain.
- To make a low sound.

7) As she watched, a woman **darted out** of a clump of nearby trees, glanced at Kira, and then brazenly began to pull carrots from the garden...

- To hide from someone.
- To move quickly out of something towards someone or something.
- To climb.

8) **Wearily**, she sat on the ash-blackened earth to wait for night.

- Comfortably.
- Extremely tired.
- Confused.

9) Vandara replied **spitefully**: “Your space is gone. It’s mine now. Those saplings are mine.”

- Jokingly.
- Showing malice.
- Sadly.

10) Kira was a very **resourceful** girl. She had always had a clever way with her hands.

- Intelligent.
- Patient.
- Creative and ingenious.