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# 12. Pilgrims of the Wild

*And herein do I exercise myself, to have always a conscience void of offence toward God, and toward men. ACTS 24:16*



## △ Vocabulary    audible    cower    inflict    salve

### A Write each vocabulary word beside its definition.

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (v) to ease or quiet    (n) a soothing cream used to relieve pain
2. \_\_\_\_\_ loud or clear enough to be heard
3. \_\_\_\_\_ to cause to suffer
4. \_\_\_\_\_ to crouch in fear or shame

## Introducing the Story

### B Read the introduction on page 44 of the reader. Write the answer to each question.

5. What was the author's real name? \_\_\_\_\_
6. Which Indian tribe adopted him? \_\_\_\_\_
7. What is Grey Owl's book about? \_\_\_\_\_



Read "Pilgrims of the Wild" (pages 44-50). After you read it, initial the line. \_\_\_\_\_

**About the author:** Archibald Belaney grew up in England in the home of his Aunt Ada. He spent his lonely days in a dream world created from his books on Indians and the plants and animals he studied on his solitary walks. When he was seventeen years old, he persuaded his aunt to let him go live in Canada. Later he wrote books and stories about his experiences as "Grey Owl," an Indian trapper and Canadian forest guide.

### C Write one effect Archibald's childhood probably had on his grown-up years.

- △ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

## Lesson 12

### Understanding the Content

**D** Write *true* if the sentence is true, *false* if it is false, or *x* if the story doesn't say.

9. \_\_\_\_\_ Grey Owl and Anahareo fed the beaver kits sweet milk at first.
10. \_\_\_\_\_ The beaver's voices resembled the cries of a human infant.
11. \_\_\_\_\_ The beavers went to sleep before Grey Owl and Anahareo did.
12. \_\_\_\_\_ The beavers ran to Grey Owl when he complained loudly.
13. \_\_\_\_\_ Grey Owl stopped feeding the beavers when they were three months old.

**E** Complete each exercise.

14. Write a fact about beavers from the story. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
15. Write an opinion you have about beavers. \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

### Analyzing the Story Elements

**F** Answer each question by circling the letter or writing the answer.

16. What time of year was it when Grey Owl set his traps? \_\_\_\_\_
17. What did Grey Owl mean when he said, "I salved my conscience"?
  - a. He put salve on himself, hoping to feel better.
  - b. He tried to make his conscience stop bothering him.
  - c. He made sure he did what his conscience told him to do.
18. What did he tell himself that salved his conscience?  
\_\_\_\_\_
19. Why did Grey Owl still feel a "pang of conscience" when he was setting the trap to catch the mother beaver? \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_
20. At the end of the story, Grey Owl said that his feeling for the beavers would have a serious effect on their chief means of livelihood—the beaver hunt. Why?
  - a. He had learned to enjoy beavers and did not want to kill them anymore.
  - b. He believed that beavers were becoming extinct and should be protected.
  - c. He thought that writing a book would be easier than trapping.

21. Grey Owl changed. Which type of character was he? \_\_\_\_\_
22. Anahareo did not change. Which type of character was she? \_\_\_\_\_

## Appreciating the Language

A euphemism (yü' fə mi' zəm) is a mild word or phrase used in place of a term that may be considered impolite or unpleasant. For example, someone might say, "My father *passed away* after two years of battling cancer." The euphemism *passed away* replaces the word *died*.

**G** Write the letter of each literary technique beside its example from the story.

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| 23. _____ clean them out (page 45)          | a. idiom meaning "not easy"                |
| 24. _____ no picnic (page 46)               | b. simile comparing beaver kits to old men |
| 25. _____ like two little old men (page 49) | c. euphemism meaning "kill them"           |

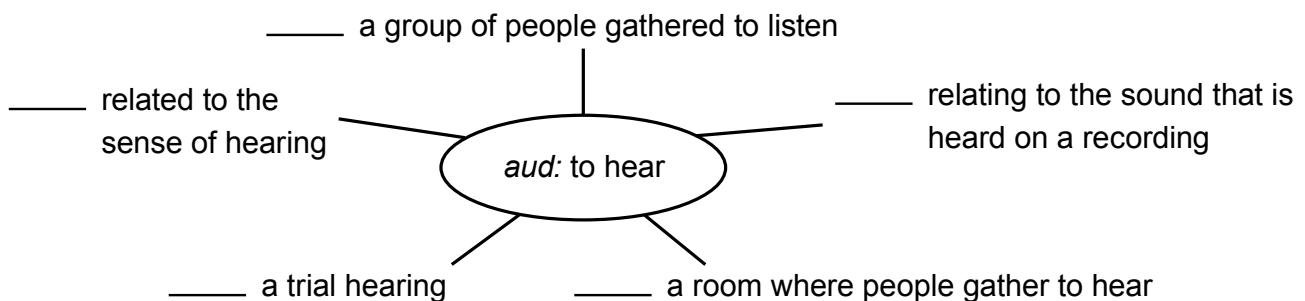
## Word Study

**H** Study the etymology and complete each exercise.

**audible** [*< L audire, to hear*]

26. Write the language of the word's origin. \_\_\_\_\_
27. Write the definition of the root. \_\_\_\_\_
28. An audible sound is one that is loud enough to be \_\_\_\_\_.
29. From page 49 of the reader, state what audible sound the beavers made when they ate sweets. \_\_\_\_\_
30. Write the letter of each word beside its definition. Use a dictionary if needed.

a. audience    b. audio    c. audition    d. auditorium    e. auditory



## Looking Back

**I** Write *yes* if the vocabulary word is used correctly or *no* if it is not.

31. \_\_\_\_\_ Memorizing multiplication facts will *benefit* your math grades.
32. \_\_\_\_\_ Getting plenty of sleep and eating a healthy breakfast *equips* you for the day.
33. \_\_\_\_\_ The natural *habitat* for wild animals is the zoo.
34. \_\_\_\_\_ Sap can be *extracted* from maple trees and boiled into syrup.
35. \_\_\_\_\_ A *gullible* person thinks carefully about what he hears and reads.
36. \_\_\_\_\_ When you make a *pledge* to give money, you are making a promise.

**J** Write sentences or a paragraph using each vocabulary word or a form of it correctly.

banish   fluster   frigid   invade   migrate

△ 37. \_\_\_\_\_  
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**K** Write the memory verse.

38. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Proverbs 1:5