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## Words to Know

**Before Reading:** As you come across words in bold in "Behind the Wire Fence," ask yourself if you know them or if you can figure them out from context. Then check their meanings here.

1. **internment:** "They were forced to leave their homes and sent to live in faraway prisons called **internment** camps." (p. 5)  
*Meaning:* being kept in prison, especially during a war
2. **immigrants:** "His parents were **immigrants** from Japan." (p. 6)  
*Meaning:* people who come to live in a new country
3. **citizen:** "He was an American **citizen**." (p. 6)  
*Meaning:* a member of a particular country who has the rights and protection of that country
4. **suspicion:** "But suddenly, Japanese Americans were viewed with **suspicion** and fear." (p. 6)  
*Meaning:* a feeling that something is bad or wrong
5. **descent:** "They ordered all people of Japanese **descent** to report to a local church by noon on May 9."  
 (p. 7)  
*Meaning:* family background
6. **rustic:** "It was made up of row upon row of **rustic** buildings." (p. 8)  
*Meaning:* simple, not fancy
7. **frigid:** "The thin walls barely kept out the **frigid** Wyoming winds and snows." (p. 8)  
*Meaning:* extremely cold
8. **remote:** "All were built in **remote** areas for the purpose of separating Japanese Americans from the rest of the country." (p. 8)  
*Meaning:* far away and hard to get to
9. **barracks:** "They did their best to make their **barracks** as pretty as possible . . ." (p. 9)  
*Meaning:* buildings where many people, usually soldiers, are housed

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**After Reading:** Complete each sentence we've started for you, checking to be sure it makes sense.

1. My friend Claire and her family are **immigrants** from France, so they like to tell me about \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

2. Ray looked at his dog with **suspicion** after he found \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

3. The summer cabin was so **rustic** that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

4. Because we're of Swedish **descent**, my grandmother makes sure we know \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

5. For Sam, the worst part of **internment** was that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

6. It was hard to get used to living in the **barracks** because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

7. Maya wants to become a **citizen** of India so that \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

8. Even in the most **remote** parts of the forest, you can still find \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

9. The **frigid** air made it impossible for us to \_\_\_\_\_

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