ALL ABOUT Winston Churchill

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Teacher's Guide

Including Common Core Standards, Sample Questions, and Activities

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Common Core Literacy Scaffolding Questions

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Note to teachers and parents: The standards listed here are taken from the Common Core Standards: *Grades 6-12, Literacy in History/Social Studies, Science, & Technical Subjects* from the subset standards for grades 6 – 8. The standards listed here are 6-8.1 – 6-8.10. These Common Core Standards can be viewed in greater detail at this website: http://www.corestandards.org/ELA-Literacy/RH/6-8/

Some states have decided not to adopt the Common Core standards, but the new state standards are uniformly similar. Teachers who choose to use these questions in a state that has not adopted Common Core standards are encouraged to apply their own state standards to these questions. Teachers who choose to use these questions for grades other than 6 - 8 can find all of the Common Core standards at: <u>http://www.corestandards.org/ELA-Literacy/</u>.

Teachers, please note that these questions are designed only to provide a very basic literacy scaffold and to provide examples. There is plenty of room for you to add your creativity and use your expertise to develop "why" questions and to help students make connections to other texts.

The questions below should be answered using a complete sentence and with textual evidence from the reading. The questions for the Preface are answered as examples.

Preface

1. Give one example of Winston Churchill's accomplishments.

Sample Answer: One of Winston Churchill's accomplishments was to be "…awarded the Nobel Prize for literature in 1953."

2. What did U.S. President John F. Kennedy give to Winston Churchill?

Sample Answer: In 1963, U.S. President John F. Kennedy "awarded an honorary U.S. citizenship to Winston Churchill."

Chapter One

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.3, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.5

- 1. Give one example of an event in Winston Churchill's early life that affected him.
- 2. What were two of the jobs that Winston Churchill's father, Lord Randolph, held in his life?
- 3. Describe Winston Churchill's relationship with his nanny, Mrs. Everest, by including one example.

Chapter Two

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.4

- 1. How were boys at St. George's Boarding School punished for bad behavior?
- 2. Winston did badly in school, give one example of a reason why.
- 3. What sparked Winston Churchill's interest in the military?

Chapter Three

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.3, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.4.

- 1. Why did Winston Churchill love the United States so much?
- 2. Give one example of something that Winston Churchill experienced as a war correspondent in either Cuba, India, or Egypt.
- 3. What effect did Winston Churchill's escape from prison during the Boer War in South Africa have on his reputation?

Chapter Four

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.3, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.5

- 1. How many books had Winston Churchill written by the year 1900?
- 2. Winston Churchill met two famous writers on his trip to the United States; name one of the writers and explain how the meeting went.

3. What did Winston Churchill begin in 1901?

Chapter Five

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.3

- 1. Describe Winston Churchill's early relationship with Clementine and give an example of something that happened while they were dating.
- 2. How many children did Winston and Clementine have?
- 3. Where did Clementine make a home?

Chapter Six

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.6, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.8

- 1. Give one example of a "social change" law that Winston Churchill sponsored while serving in the House of Commons.
- 2. What was the "Other Club?"
- 3. What is one example of something that worried Winston about Germany before World War I?

Chapter Seven

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.3

- 1. Winston Churchill was the First Lord of the Admiralty (head of the British Navy) when WWI started; what was the Gallipoli Campaign he planned?
- 2. What was the "Black Dog" that affected Winston Churchill in 1916 and what caused it?
- 3. Describe Winston Churchill's talent with painting.

Chapter Eight

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.6, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.8

- 1. What job did Prime Minister Lloyd George give Winston Churchill in 1917?
- 2. Why were the British worried about the Soviet Union?
- 3. Who was T.E. Lawrence and how did he help Winston Churchill with the Middle East Department?

Chapter Nine

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.6

- 1. Give one example of a bad thing that happened to Winston Churchill between the years 1921 and 1936.
- 2. What was Winston Churchill's opinion of Adolph Hitler and the Nazis in the early 1930's?
- 3. What was the tone of the speeches that Winston Churchill gave after becoming Prime Minister? Give an example to support your answer.

Chapter Ten

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.6

- 1. What happened in December of 1941 that finally brought the United States into World War II?
- 2. Why did Winston Churchill form an alliance with Joseph Stalin?
- 3. What was Winston Churchill's response to the Holocaust?

Chapter Eleven

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.1, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.6

- 1. What was the "Iron Curtain" speech?
- 2. Give an example of an award or honor that Winston Churchill won in the 1950's.
- 3. Give an example of a legacy that Winston Churchill left after his death in 1965.

Text Analysis Questions

Standards: CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.2, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.4. CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.9, CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RH.6-8.8

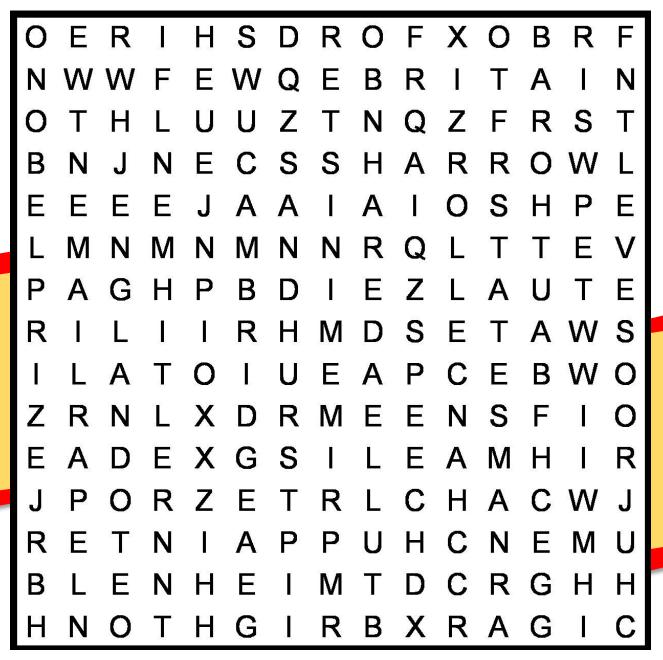
Essay: Review some of the quotes from Winston Churchill's most famous speeches (p.103) and then read what he has to say about the power of words below. What is your favorite quote from Winston Churchill, and how do you think his feelings about language inspired his speech writing? Use textual evidence from the speech excerpt you chose and textual evidence from the quote below in your answer.

The greatest tie of all is language...Words are the only things that last forever. The most tremendous monuments or prodigies of engineering crumble under the hand of Time. The Pyramids moulder, the bridges rust, the canals fill up, grass covers the railway track but words spoken two or three thousand years ago remain with us now, not as mere relics of the past, but with all their pristine vital force.

-Winston S. Churchill, 15 May 1938, News of the World

(source: https://www.winstonchurchill.org/resources/quotes/page/2/)

All About Winston Churchill Word Search



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Across

1. Post Office purchase

- 6. By way of, to a traveler
- 9. With 32-Across, prize won Churchill
- 10. Letters on a British Navy ship
- 11. Bike shorts or wet suit material
- 12. "Yes, yes!" in Spain
- 14. ____ and outs
- 16. Big belly
- 17. Ancient Mexican pyramid builder
- 19. Storefront sign abbr.
- 20. Highest card in a deck
- 21. Commonplace
- 23. Gun owner's org.
- 24. ____ 'em! (command to an attack dog)
- 25. Mardi Gras city and state, for short 27. Indian corn or yellow shade
- 31. Randolph, to Winston
- 32. See 9-Across
- 33. Pig's home
- 34. Take by force

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Crossword

Puzzle

Down

- 1. NBC weekend show since 1975
- 2. Gift from Santa
- 3. Start of the alphabet
- 4. Kind of scout badge
- 5. Mars and Jupiter
- 6. Old videotape letters
- 7. "Put me down as a maybe" (2 wds.)
- 8. Make certain
- 13. The I of TGIF
- 15. Pinches pennies
- 17. Opposite of down in a crossword puzzle
- 18. Gung-ho type
- 20. Raggedy doll's name
- 22. "You can count on me" (2 wds.)
- 26. "___ luck?"
- 28. Roman numeral 3
- 29. Snoring, in a comic strip
- 30. Extra-wide, on a shoebox



All About Winston Churchill Answer Key

