Glossary

(Meanings explained here are only for the use of the words in this book.)

Abolitionist: a person who was in favor of ending slavery in America in the 19th century
actor: one who performs in a play
adventure: an exciting experience, often requiring much daring
arrow: a mark or sign shaped like a line with a pointing “V” at the end
cabin: a small house, often made of logs cut from trees
candle: a stick made of wax, with a string through its center, which gives light when burned
canoe: a small boat, light in weight
cave: a deep hole in a hill or mountain
drown: to die by remaining under water
drunk: state of losing control of one’s actions because of drinking too much alcohol
duke: a high-ranking noble
fog: a thick cloud of small drops of water near the ground that causes difficulty in seeing
ghost: the non-physical part of a dead person, a spirit imagined as wandering among living persons in the form of a pale shadow
grindstone: a large, round, flat stone used for sharpening tools
Pap: a familiar term for father
raft: a long, flat boat made of logs and boards
rat: a small animal with a long, thin tail and sharp teeth
servant: a person employed to do housework in the home of another
snake: an animal with a long, thin body and no legs
sneer: to speak in a critical way
tannery: a place where hides are made into leather
tattoo: to mark the skin with pictures and words by using special needles and special inks
whiskey: a strong alcoholic drink