

## Lesson Vocabulary

### Words to Know

Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *Shutting Out the Sky*. Practice using these words.

### Vocabulary Words

**advice** an opinion about what should be done

**advised** gave advice to

**circumstances** conditions that accompany an act or event

**elbow** to push with the elbow; make your way by pushing

**hustled** went or worked quickly or with energy

**immigrants** people who have come into a country or region to live there

**luxury** something pleasant but not absolutely necessary

**newcomer** a person who has just come or who came not long ago

**peddler** a person who travels about selling things carried in a pack or in a truck, wagon, or cart

## Grammar

### Common and Proper Nouns

A **common noun** names any person, place, or thing. *For example: girl, city, building.* A **proper noun** names a particular person, place, or thing. Proper nouns include titles of books and movies, as well as many abbreviations. Capital letters are used for the first letter and each important word of a proper noun. *For example: Nadine, Mexico City, White House, The Wizard of Oz, U.S.A.*

### Activity

**The Proper Way** With a family member, make two separate lists of ten common nouns. Exchange your lists and try to change each common noun into at least one proper noun. For example, *ocean* might be changed to *Indian Ocean*. If you wish, you can repeat the activity by making new lists of ten proper nouns, exchanging these lists, and changing the proper nouns into common nouns.

## Practice Tested Spelling Words

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