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## Secret Life of Bees, The

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Word	Grade Level	Pronunciation	Definition
abandoned	5	ə-băn' dænd	having been left behind, usually purposely; deserted; having been given up
annoyed	6	ə-noid'	irritated; bothered or frustrated; aroused to impatience or anger; pestered; troubled; disturbed repeatedly or continuously; upset
apologize	5	ə-pŏl' ə-jiz	to express regret for having done something wrong; to acknowledge one's faults; to say one is sorry
blouse	5	blous	a shirt designed for a female; a loose shirt
coffin	6	kŏ' fĭn	a rectangular box used to hold a dead body for burial; a casket
constantly	6	kŏn' stənt-lē	without stopping; continually; repeatedly; all the time
convent	7	kŏn' vēnt	a place where women in a religious order live; a nunnery
depressed	10	dĭ-prĕst'	low in spirits; extremely sad; melancholy
eventually	7	ĭ-vĕn' chŏŏ-ə-lē	finally or at last; ultimately; in the end; after all; someday; after a period of time; after a while
frantic	5	frăn' tĭk	in a panic; wild with fear; desperate; frenzied
labels	6	lă' bəlz	stickers or tags with printed information; product descriptions placed on containers
normal	6	nŏr' mæl	usual; typical; ordinary; common; routine; average; happening frequently or everyday; commonly seen; not rare; healthy; natural
practically	6	prăk' tĭk-lē	almost; nearly; just about
resented	6	rĭ-zĕn' tĭd	felt anger and outrage; expressed or exhibited displeasure or indignation at; was offended by
vote	5	vŏt	to cast a ballot; to select or choose, as in an election or a group decision; to express a choice, preference, or opinion, usually for a candidate or law

## Pronunciation Guide

Examples	Examples	Examples
b bed	t toy, debt, thyme, receipt	ĭ sit, dessert
ch chalk, catch, question	th think	i slide, pie
d drawer, could	th than	ir pier, hear, miracle
f fish, rough, graph, calf	v savage	ŏ hot, conscious
g great, guest	w with, while	ô hope, boat, row
h happy	y yes	ô/ôr caught, raw, for, war
hw where	z zebra	oi noise, boy
j jump, giraffe, bridge	zh leisure, genre	ŏŏ book
k ankle, cat, rack, chasm, quiche	sh shut, motion, chandelier, issue	ŏŏ tool
l lemon, needle	ă bad	ou found, how
m rhyme, hymn, tomb	â hate	ŭ cup, rummage
n nice, know, gnat	âr care, hair, wear	ûr fur, heard
p pet	ă father, are	yŏŏ cute, beautiful
r red, wrist, rhyme	ĕ fetch, head	ə afar, capable, us
s sister, cent, psalm, science	ê be, seat, receive	ər father, fir