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**Vocabulary Fill in  Ch 17-18**

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| A. aggravating | D. dawdle    | G. lugged  | J. wick |
| B. balk        | E. dimpling  | H. slit    |         |
| C. cultivate   | F. horrified | I. wavered |         |

1. Then between the root and the wee green pumpkin they carefully made a little \_\_\_\_\_ on the underside of the vine.
2. Then he put a candle \_\_\_\_\_ in the milk, and the end of the candle \_\_\_\_\_ he put carefully into the slit.
3. Almanzo was sure he wouldn't frighten them; he wouldn't teach them to jump, or \_\_\_\_\_, or try to run away.
4. Father might answer, slowly:  
"I did lay out to \_\_\_\_\_ the carrots and mend the fence."
5. Father stood under a hemlock tree, and Almanzo sat under a tent of cedar boughs, and watched the raindrops \_\_\_\_\_ the water.
6. So in the end they picked six of the biggest melons, and they \_\_\_\_\_ them one by one to the ice-house and put them on the damp, cold sawdust.

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7. The air shimmered and \_\_\_\_\_ with heat, and little insects made a shrill sound.
8. Even Alice was \_\_\_\_\_ because he had wasted candy on a pig.
9. "Goodness! don't \_\_\_\_\_ so!"
10. "I guess I was \_\_\_\_\_," she said. "But I didn't mean to be."

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-----*Key (10 points)*-----

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4.     **C**     **cultivate** ..... pg 195
5.     **E**     **dimpling** ..... pg 196
6.     **G**     **lugged** ..... pg 207
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8.     **F**     **horrified** ..... pg 216
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10.    **A**     **aggravating** ..... pg 227