

# Tuck Everlasting: Author's Word Choice

BibleMouse.com

## Understanding Language and Themes

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Answer the following questions based on what you learned about word choice in 'Tuck Everlasting'.

1. What effect do authors aim for by choosing specific words?

- A. To confuse readers
- B. To create feelings and imagery
- C. To make the story longer

2. How does Natalie Babbitt's choice of words help you understand the characters' emotions?

---

---

3. In literature, descriptive language helps readers \_\_\_\_ the scenes more vividly.

4. Babbitt's word choices have no effect on how readers feel about nature.

- True       False

5. Which of the following best describes the mood created by Babbitt's descriptions of nature?

- A. Gloomy
- B. Joyful
- C. Neutral

6. What is one example of a description in 'Tuck Everlasting' that makes you think about life and death?

---

---

---

7. According to Proverbs 16:24, pleasant words are sweet to the soul and health to the \_\_\_\_.

8. Words can reveal character thoughts and emotions.

- True       False

9. How do authors use language to express complex themes?

- A. By using simple words
- B. By creating vivid imagery and feelings
- C. By writing long sentences

10. Why is it important for authors to choose their words carefully?

---

---

---

### Answer Key

1. To create feelings and imagery    2. Her descriptions make me feel connected to the characters, showing their happiness or sadness clearly.    3. imagine    4. False    5. Joyful    6. The description of the forest changing with the seasons shows the circle of life and how everything has its time.    7. bones    8. True    9. By creating vivid imagery and feelings    10. Carefully chosen words can create stronger emotions and clearer meanings, helping readers understand the story better.