

VOCABULARY IN CONTEXT: Using context clues, explain what the bolded word most likely means and explain how you came up with that conclusion – i.e. which word(s) in the sentence led you to that conclusion. This information is to come from your brain, NOT FROM YOUR PHONE OR THE TEXTBOOK!!!

1. These are the times that **try** men's souls.
 - What does the word mean? _____
 - How do you know? _____

2. What we obtain too cheap, we **esteem** too lightly; it is dearness only that gives everything its value.
 - What does the word mean? _____
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3. Heaven knows how to put a proper price upon its goods; and it would be strange indeed if so **celestial** an article as freedom should not be highly rated.
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3. How does Paine feel about those that will stand up and fight?
4. To what does Paine compare tyranny?
5. What is the meaning of "what we obtain too cheap, we esteem too lightly"? Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer.
6. Of what does Paine accuse Great Britain?
7. How does Paine feel about the timing of the Revolution?
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9. To what does Paine compare the king?
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