

UNIT-2A

GLOSSARY

Cuff: the end of a coat or shirt sleeve at the wrist.



Beadle: a minor parish officer dealing with petty offenders.



Waistcoat: a short piece of clothing with buttons down the front but no sleeves, usually worn over a shirt and under a jacket, often forming part of a man's suit.



Weep: to cry, usually because you are sad.



Oakum: loose fibre obtained by untwisting and picking apart old ropes.



Sob: to cry noisily taking sudden, sharp breaths.



Orphan: a child whose parents are dead.

Strides: to walk with long steps in a particular direction.

Grasping: always trying to get possessions, power etc.

Trotted: to move forward at a speed that is faster.

Astonishment: a feeling of very great surprise.

Lingering: slow to end or disappear.

Frightened: afraid, feeling fear.

Tremble: to shake in a way that you cannot control, especially because you are very nervous, excited, frightened.

Gruff: deep and rough and often sounding unfriendly.

Stammer: to speak with difficulty, repeating sounds or words and often stopping, before saying things correctly.

Surly: serious or angry.