

*Fever 1793* by Laurie Halse Anderson  
VOCABULARY LIST

**Chapters 1 – 5**

1. Abhorred – detested utterly; loathed; hated
2. Victuals – food fit for humans to eat
3. Forge – the workshop of a blacksmith
4. Impudence – offensively bold; nerve; rudeness
5. Loitering – lingering aimlessly; hanging about with no purpose
6. Miasma – poisonous fumes or germs polluting the atmosphere
7. Bilious – extremely unpleasant in regards to sickness
8. Demure – shy, modest, reserved

**Chapters 6 – 10**

9. Droll – amusing in an odd way
10. Bestir – to stir up, rouse, or bring to action
11. Conceded – yielded, admitted, or acknowledged reluctantly
12. Vehemently – with great passion
13. Pestilence – deadly disease
14. Taut – tightly drawn or tense
15. Cajoling – persuading by using flattery

**Chapters 11 – 16**

16. Placid – quiet, calm, peaceful
17. Destitute – lacking the necessities of life
18. Famished – extremely hungry
19. Snippet – a small or insignificant thing/person
20. Jaundiced – having a yellow discoloration of the

**Chapters 17 – 21**

21. Venturing – taking a risk or braving dangers
22. Trifling – of little importance
23. Brandish – to shake or wave a weapon
24. Shroud – a cloth or sheet in which a corpse is wrapped for burial
25. Exorbitant – excessive; extreme; unreasonable
26. Tethered – held or restrained by a rope

## **Chapters 22 – 25**

- 27. Resolutely – with firm determination
- 28. Putrid – in the state of foul decay; rotten
- 29. Purge – cleanse; purify
- 30. Trundled – moved along

## **Chapters 26 – Epilogue**

- 31. Fetid – having an offensive odor
- 32. Gaunt – extremely thin and bony
- 33. Proprietor – owner of a business or establishment
- 34. Bunkum – insincere or ridiculous talk
- 35. Begrudge – to envy the good fortune of someone else