My Brother Sam is Dead
Vocabulary List

Directions: Use a dictionary or the authors’ words to find the meanings of the following words from My Brother Sam is Dead. Your teacher will direct you to do this lesson either as you read each chapter, or as a pre-reading activity. Whatever method your teacher chooses, be sure to keep this list and the notes on definitions and parts of speech to use in vocabulary exercises and to study for quizzes and tests.

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10. subversion (21)
11. vile (22)
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14. commission (34)
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