



Silas Marner

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Glossary

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English	Description in English	Spanish
absence	being away or absent	ausencia
adopt	to take another person's child into your family to become your own child	adoptar
bitter	feeling disappointed and angry	amargado
blush (v and n)	to become red in the face when ashamed or shy	sonrojarse / (n) rubor
butcher	someone whose job is to cut and sell meat	carnicero
carol	a song usually sung at Christmas	villancico
chapel	a room or building used for religious meetings	capilla
cheerful	feeling happy or causing other people to feel happy	animado, contento
confess	to tell the truth about something you have done wrong	confesar
cottage	a small, simple house, usually in the country	casita de campo
curl (n)	a piece of hair that grows round and round, in rings	rizo
dairy	a place where milk is kept and butter, cheese, etc. are made	vaquería
devil	the enemy of God, or a bad, evil person	demonio
drain (v)	to make land dryer by causing the water to run off it	drenar
draw lots	to decide something by taking pieces of paper (with numbers or writing on them) out of a covered box	echar suertes

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duty	something you feel you have to do because it is right	deber
engaged	having promised to marry someone	prometido
evil (adj and n)	very bad or wrong	malo, malvado
farrier	someone who puts new shoes on horses	herrador
firm (adj)	strong and determined	decidido, firme
fit (n)	a sudden illness, when a person is unconscious for a time	ataque
forgive	to say or show that you are not angry with someone	perdonar
gamble (v)	to play games of chance (e.g. card games) for money	jugar (a juegos de azar)
gentleman	a man of good family, usually rich	caballero
gin	a strong, colourless alcoholic drink	ginebra
guilt	a feeling that you have done wrong	culpa
hunt (v and n)	to chase and kill animals	cazar / (n) cacería
landlord	a man who controls a public house	dueño, propietario
linen	a special kind of cloth (more like cotton than wool)	lino
loom	a machine for weaving cloth	telar
Master	a title used for an experienced workman (not used now)	maestro
minister	a religious leader (e.g. a chapel minister)	ministre (religioso)
moan (v)	to make a loud, sad sound that shows you are unhappy	quejarse
New Year's Eve	31st December, the day before the New Year	Nochevieja
orphan	a child whose parents are dead	huérfano
pedlar	a person who travels from place to place selling things	vendedor ambulante
pile (n)	a lot of things on top of one another	pila, montón
poacher	a person who catches animals from other people's land	cazador ilegal
porridge	a cooked breakfast cereal, eaten hot	avena (cocida)
power	being able to do something (sometimes unusual things)	poder

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quarry	a place where stone, sand, etc. are taken out of the ground	cantera
relieved	glad that a problem has gone away	aliviat
religion (adj religious)	a belief in a god or gods, and the different ways of showing the belief	religión / religioso (adj)
scornful	feeling strongly that something or someone is worthless	despectivo
service	a religious meeting in a church or chapel	oficio (religioso)
shortsighted	being able to see clearly only things that are close	corto de vista
soul	the part of us that some people believe does not die	alma
Squire	the title of the most important gentleman or landowner in a country area (not used now)	terrateniente
suspicious	not believing or trusting someone	receloso
toddle	(of a very young child) to walk with short uncertain steps	caminar sin seguridad
trust (v and n)	to feel sure that someone is good, right, honest, etc.	confiar / (n) confianza
vicar	a priest in the Church of England	vicario
weak	not strong, easily persuaded	débil
weave	to make cloth using a loom	tejer