

FARMER TICE'S VOCABULARY PRACTICE PT. 5

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- 3} last name of the Confederate general who started the Civil War at Fort Sumter. *Ben Miller's pet name for his Jeep was General \_\_\_\_\_.*
- 4} a very healthy variety of beans. *Farmer Tice grew lima beans, string beans, and \_\_\_\_\_.*
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- 26} strong, fierce, resentful anger, such as anger from God. *In book #4, Farmer Tice brought down the \_\_\_\_\_ of his wife when she caught him giving a speech at a Nutria rally.*
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tarnation, teetotaler, thrusting, tirade, toiled, Triple Crown, turbulent, tycoon, uppercut, vagrants, varmint, vittles, whittling, wrath, yacht, yokels, timber, festivities, don't cotton, fiasco, fortress, garbanzos, grotesquely, hornet, ay karamba, Beauregard, blabbermouth, riffraff, detention, truss

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From book #2, *Farmer Tice Goes on a Picnic*