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Vocabulary for “My Life Hangs in the Balance”

1. **taunt**, *v.* to make fun of or tease (**taunted**) (72)
2. **ringleader**, *n.* the leader of a group that causes trouble or gets involved in illegal activity (73)
3. **insolence**, *n.* rude behavior or speech (75)
4. **scurvy**, *adj.* mean; not worthy of respect (75)
5. **hostage**, *n.* a person held prisoner until another group or person meets demands (75)
6. **depose**, *v.* to remove someone from office or a high rank (**deposed**) (76)