Name _____

Speakeasy Talk Answer Key

 $A \rightarrow 2$ (Giggle Water = alcoholic drinks)

 $B \rightarrow 8$ (Flapper = fashionable young woman)

 $C \rightarrow 4$ (Fuzz = police officers)

 $D \rightarrow 7$ (Hooch = illegal/homemade alcohol)

 $E \rightarrow 1$ (Blind Tiger = secret bar)

 $F \rightarrow 5$ (Big Cheese = important

person)

 $G \rightarrow 3$ (Spiffy = stylish

 ${\rm H} \rightarrow {\rm 6}$ (Bootlegger = illegal liquor

transporter)

Sentence: Answers will vary but must correctly apply the slang term.

Teacher's Guide

Before the Activity

- Provide quick background on speakeasies, flappers, and Prohibition culture
- Show a few real 1920s photos to support vocabulary understanding

Engagement Strategies

- "Slang Call-Out" warm-up: you say the modern meaning, students shout the slang
- Create a mini "slang dictionary" on chart paper as a class
- Have students use multiple slang terms in a short skit about a visit to a speakeasy

Extension Ideas

- Students design a mock 1920s poster using slang vocabulary
- Compare slang of the 1920s with slang used by teens today
- Add more terms (e.g., "cat's meow," "prohibition agents," "juice joint") for enrichment

