**Spelling**
- poster
- secret
- whether
- author
- rocket
- bushel
- agree
- bucket
- ticket
- declare
- chicken
- clothing
- apron
- whiskers
- degree
- gather
- achieve
- rather
- bracket
- machine

**Challenge Words**
- regret
- nephew
- method
- decline
- vibrate

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**“Ever-Living Tree”**

**Vocabulary**

| 1. continent | a large area of land |
| 2. dense | having many things close together |
| 3. civilized | well-developed as a society |
| 4. opportunities | chances to do something |
| 5. resources | things people use |
| 6. independent | separate from other things |
| 7. shallow | not deep |
| 8. moisture | tiny drops of water |
| 9. evaporate | dry up |
| 10. customs | things that people in a society do |

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**Story Skill: Text and Graphic Features**

**Text features** – parts of the text, such as titles, headings, or special type.

**Boldface print** – type that is heavy and dark to make it stand out from words around it.

As you read, look for heading, captions, diagrams, timelines and other features to help you understand the text and locate information quickly.

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**Decoding Skill: Syllable Patterns & Word Parts**

First, remove the affix (prefix or suffix). Then, determine the syllable pattern of VCCV or VCV. Divide the word into syllables before or after the word part.

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**Comprehension Questions**

1. What does the timeline at the top of the pages show?
2. Why does the author include icons in the text?
3. Where does the coast redwood grow?
4. What happened when the glaciers came?
5. The author includes a diagram to help the reader better understand…?
6. What happened as a result of a fire?
7. Where did Marco Polo travel to?