**Spelling**
- rising
- traced
- stripped
- slammed
- dancing
- striped
- winning
- snapping
- bragging
- handled
- dripped
- begged
- dared
- skipped
- hitting
- spotted
- raced
- dimmed
- spinning
- escaped

**Challenge Words**
- urged
- striving
- whipped
- breathing
- quizzed

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**“The Earth Dragon Awakes”**

**Vocabulary**

1. **constructed** built
2. **crushing** smashing
3. **tenement** an apartment building poorly maintained
4. **possessions** things you own
5. **trembles** shakes
6. **wreckage** leftover bits of something that is ruined
7. **debris** pieces of broken things
8. **rubble** broken stones or bricks
9. **slab** a broad flat piece
10. **timbers** large pieces of wood

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**Story Skill: Sequence of Events**

**Sequence of Events** – the order in which events take place in time.

**Visualize** – to picture a story scene or event in the mind.

As you read, notice the sequence, or order in which events take place. Also notice that the main sequence of events is interrupted once to tell the story from another point of view. To keep track of the sequence, look for dates and times of day as well as clue words such as *when*, *now*, *then*, and *again*.

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**Decoding Skill: Base Words and Endings**

Sometimes, base words have word parts, or endings, added to the end of the word. They are always their own syllable.

Common endings are: **-ing**, **-ed**, **-es**

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**Comprehension Questions**

1. Where do Chin and his father live?
2. When the earthquake begins, what is Chin and his father doing?
3. How does Ah Sing explain the earthquake to Chin?
4. What happens just before the tenement starts to fall?
5. What is liquefaction?
6. How does Chine answer when his father asks if he is all right?
7. What happens after someone yells “Fire!”