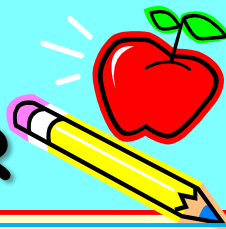




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"The Life and Times of an Ant"

Vocabulary

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| 1. <u>transport</u> | carry from one place to another |
| 2. <u>social</u> | relating to the way people live together |
| 3. <u>obstacles</u> | things in the way |
| 4. <u>scarce</u> | hard to find |
| 5. <u>exchanges</u> | giving one thing and getting another |
| 6. <u>transfers</u> | moves from one place to another |
| 7. <u>chamber</u> | a room |
| 8. <u>reinforce</u> | make stronger |
| 9. <u>storage</u> | a place to keep supplies |
| 10. <u>excess</u> | extra |

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.

Decoding Skill: Suffixes

Suffix - an ending added to a base word.

Common endings are *-y*, *-ly*, and *-ous*.

Think about the spelling changes that happen when a suffix is added, such as: y changes to i, final e is dropped, or final consonant is doubled.

Comprehension Questions

1. What can you conclude about the timeline?
2. Why are ants sometimes compared to people?
3. Why did the author include a thermometer in the anthill drawing?
4. Where are you most likely to find an ant nest?
5. Which part of the story helps you understand different ant jobs?
6. What does a forager do?
7. What did Harlow Shapley discover?

Spelling

turkey
lonely
colony
steady
hungry
valley
hockey
starry
melody
movie
duty
drowsy
chimney
plenty
daily
alley
fifty
empty
injury
prairie

Challenge Words

envy
fiery
mercy
discovery
mystery

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