

The Best!

READING

with Reading Skills & Structure



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130 words

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How to Use This Book



Photo and Illustration

The captivating images stimulate students' interest and help them predict the passage before reading it.

Look and Think

Various warm-up questions help students prepare for the lesson and think about the unit's theme.



Key Words

The pre-reading vocabulary activities allow students to learn the key words in the reading passage.

Key Expressions

This section helps students expand their vocabulary and grammar efficiently by introducing must-know expressions in fun and easy ways.

Tornado! Twister!



Strong winds blow. Dark, greenish clouds cover the sky. In the distance, a funnel-shaped cloud touches the ground. Uh-oh! The cloud starts to spin. It's a tornado!

Tornadoes, also known as twisters, are the most powerful winds on Earth. They often form from large thunderstorms.

Tornado winds blow in a circle. They can blow faster than 500 km per hour! The winds act like a giant vacuum cleaner. They suck up everything in their path. They can lift cars and even houses.

Tornadoes happen in many parts of the world. But most of them occur in the United States. About 1,000 tornadoes hit the U.S. every year. They most often occur in a region known as Tornado Alley. This area can see more than 200 tornadoes each year.



Think & Talk

- 1 What is a tornado?
- 2 Where do most tornadoes occur in the United States?

Reading Passage

The wide variety of academic topics help students develop their reading skills and expand their background knowledge in school subjects and themes.

Think and Talk

This section encourages students to think about the main idea of the passage or to think critically about what they have read.

Reading Comprehension

A Choose the correct answers.

1. What is the passage mainly about?
 - a the most powerful winds on Earth
 - b Tornado Alley in the United States
 - c how to stay safe when a tornado hits
2. Tornadoes are also known as _____.
 - a thunderstorms
 - b twisters
 - c Tornado Alley
3. What does a tornado cloud look like?
 - a a vacuum cleaner
 - b a car
 - c a funnel
4. How many tornadoes occur in the U.S. each year?
 - a about 1,000
 - b about 200
 - c fewer than 200
5. Which is NOT true according to the passage?
 - a Tornado winds spin, or blow, in a circle.
 - b Tornadoes often form from large thunderstorms.
 - c Tornadoes occur only in the United States.

B Think and complete the answers.

6. How powerful is a tornado?
Tornado winds can _____ and lift everything _____.
7. What is Tornado Alley?
It is the _____ where the most tornadoes occur in _____.

Comprehension Check Up

A The comprehension questions check students' understanding of the text through multiple-choice questions.

B The short-answer questions allow students to think about the main idea of the passage.

Skill Focus: Main Idea and Details

Fill in the blanks with the correct words.

Tornadoes are the most powerful winds on Earth.

What causes tornadoes?

- They often form from large _____.

How strong are they?

- Tornado winds can blow faster than 500 km _____.
- Tornado winds blow in a circle.
- They act like a giant _____ and _____ everything in their path.

Where do they occur?

- Tornadoes happen in many parts of the world, but most tornadoes _____ in the United States.
- About 1,000 tornadoes hit the country _____.
- They most often occur in Tornado Alley.

vacuum cleaner thunderstorms occur suck up per year per hour

Vocabulary

Choose and complete the sentences.

1. Tornadoes, also _____ twisters, are powerful winds.
2. They often occur in a region _____ Tornado Alley.
3. This region _____ Tornado Alley.

known as is known as

Skill Focus & Vocabulary

Reading Skills This section shows the structure of the passage and teaches students different reading comprehension skills.

Vocabulary This section allows students to review the key expressions and to understand how to use them correctly.

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Plants and Their Names



Look & Think

Look at the picture. Check True or False.

- | | True | False |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1 The leaves look like feathers. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 The leaves are sensitive to touch. | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> |

Key Words Listen and repeat the words. TR: 02



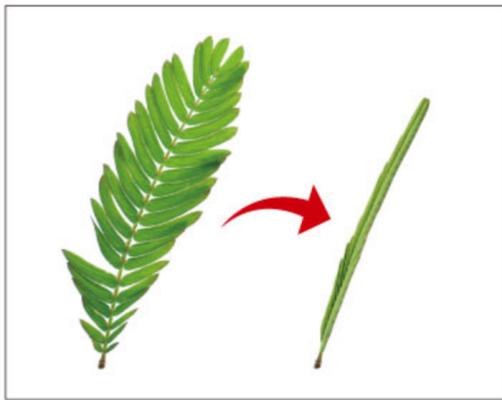
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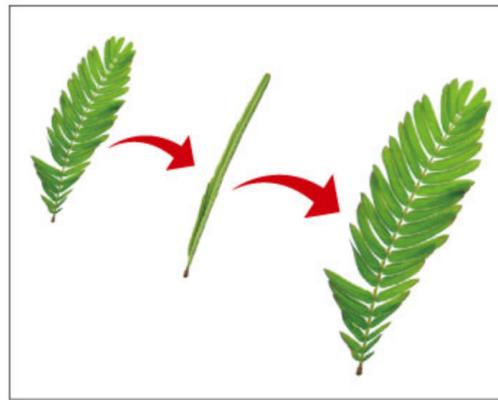
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reopen



last for

Key Expressions Read and complete the sentences.

Plants



feather-like



bell-shaped

1. This plant has _____ leaves.
2. This plant has _____ flowers.