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Scope & Sequence

Unit	Subject	Unit Title	Linking Word
1	History	Emperor Nero	one day once
2	Literature	Lost in Rome	so interestingly
3	Science	Killer Plants	in fact however
4	Literature	A Bug's Life	at first amazingly
5	History	The History of Domestic Cats	however naturally
6	Literature	Magoo	amazingly however
7	Literature	A Music Lesson	actually also
8	History	Pirate Adventures	amazingly later
9	Literature	Life at Sea	finally of course
10	History	Tower of Terror	in addition in fact
11	Literature	The Tower Ravens	furthermore however
12	History	Alcatraz Island	in addition not surprisingly
13	Technology	The Story of Elevators	gradually today
14	Literature	Greek Gods	however also
15	Psychology	Fear of Heights	sometimes however
16	Literature	The Gigantic Tree	often finally

Target Word	Reading Skill
government / intelligent / mean / history / murder / wife / servant / greedy	Main Ideas & Details
memorable / tour group / exhausted / gladiator / entertainment / crowd / cone / relieved	Sequencing
carnivorous / organism / soil / survive / digest / slippery / vine / tropical	Classifying
recycling bin / hatch / tasty / garbage / rotten / dresser / tissue / all of a sudden	Compare & Contrast
practice / crop / notice / rodent / abundant / tame / sacred / cherished	Cause & Effect
belong to / condominium / petite / cautious / odd / post / neighborhood / familiar	Understanding the Plot
instrument / anxious / approach / inherit / hesitate / instructor / sign up / hilarious	Understanding the Plot
flee / end up / disguise / daring / pregnant / illegal / fate / traditional	Classifying
chef / lousy / access / dinghy / unsteady / decent / seasick / bunk	Understanding the Plot
royal / fortress / lock / jewel / precious / torture / ghost / haunted	Reviewing
drawbridge / attraction / raven / clip / balance / raw / soaked / occasionally	Sequencing
prison / criminal / drown / gangster / cell / average / maintain / crumble	Classifying
supplies / pressure / steam / install / bullet / double-deck / occupy / tilt	Main Ideas & Details
ordinary / ancient / throne / escape / yearn / pretend / vomit / ruler	Classifying
height / logical / environment / normal / panic / option / productive / hypnosis	Main Ideas & Details
nearby / gigantic / gather / plot / stranded / evergreen tree / sweaty / terrified	Predicting

Unit Overview

✧ Student Book

Pre-Reading

The questions can be discussed individually or as a class, jump-starting students' interest in and background knowledge of the topic.

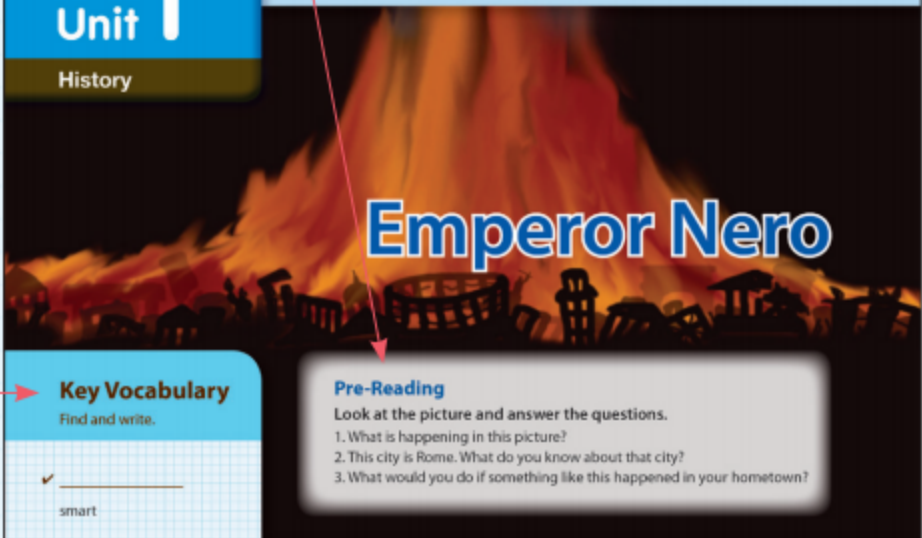
Quick Check

This exercise helps ensure that students understand what each paragraph is about.

Visual Aids

Visual aids with captioned information draw students' interest in the subject of each reading.

Unit 1
History




Key Vocabulary
Find and write.

- ✓ smart
- ✓ not kind
- ✓ a record of past events
- ✓ a married woman
- ✓ a system that rules a country or state
- ✓ a slave or worker
- ✓ selfish
- ✓ killed

Pre-Reading
Look at the picture and answer the questions.
1. What is happening in this picture?
2. This city is Rome. What do you know about that city?
3. What would you do if something like this happened in your hometown?

Two thousand years ago, kings, called emperors, ruled the city of Rome. At that time, Rome was one of the strongest cities in the world. The city's **government** ruled many other countries. Some emperors were **intelligent** and kind. Others were foolish and **mean**. One of the worst emperors in **history** was Nero.



There is a legend that Rome was started by two brothers who were raised by wolves.

Quick Check
Some emperors were kind, but Nero was _____.

In 54 CE, Nero's mother **murdered** the old emperor, Nero's stepfather. The new emperor, Nero, would later become worse than his mother. He murdered his stepbrother, his stepsister (who was his first **wife**), his second wife, and even his mother, Agrippina. He first left Agrippina in the middle of the sea. But she swam safely to the beach. Then he told his **servant** to kill her with a club.

In 64 CE, a fire started in Rome. Many buildings burned down. People said that Nero sang songs and played music during the fire. Later, he built a giant castle for himself where the fire had been. Nero was **greedy**, and he did not care about the poor people who lost their homes. Many people believed that Nero started the fire. Nero lied, saying that Christians had started the fire. Finally, the people of Rome wanted a new emperor. Soldiers came to Rome to take Nero's life. Nero decided to kill himself. Before he died, he cried, "What a great artist the world is losing!"

Big Idea
What is a good title for this passage? Check (✓) your answer.
☐ The Great Castle of Rome ☐ The Evil Emperor

Key Vocabulary

Students find important vocabulary in the context of the reading passage. Short and clear definitions of the words are provided.

Reading

A variety of school subject topics are presented in passages of three or four well-linked paragraphs. Students can enjoy reading by learning new information about the topic of each unit.

Big Idea

By answering this question, students can form clear conclusions about what the passage is mainly about.