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# Read Naturally Encore II

## Glossary—Level 2.0

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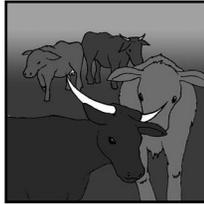


## blind<sup>15</sup>

If you are blind, it means you cannot see.

## cattle<sup>11</sup>

Cattle are cows, calves, and bulls.



## companions<sup>18</sup>

Companions are people or friends you spend a lot of time with. *Mike and his dog are companions.*

## countries<sup>16</sup>

Countries are areas of land that have their own laws for the people living there. *The United States, France, and Germany are countries.*



## guard<sup>12</sup>

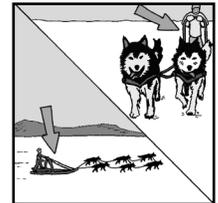
Guard means to watch something closely in order to keep it safe.

## hunt<sup>13</sup>

When people or animals hunt, they find and kill animals for food.

## sleds<sup>17</sup>

Sleds are things that slide on ice and snow.



## warn<sup>14</sup>

Warn means to tell about something bad that might happen. *The weather person will warn us if a bad storm is coming.*

# Polar Bear

## Arctic<sup>21</sup>

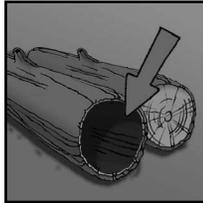
The Arctic is the area around the North Pole.

## clear<sup>19</sup>

Clear means see-through. *Windows are usually made of clear glass.*

## hollow<sup>20</sup>

If something is hollow, it is empty on the inside.



## padded<sup>24</sup>

Padded means covered with something soft. *She sat on the padded chair because it was soft.*

## pounds<sup>23</sup>

Pounds are used to show how heavy something is. *Most horses weigh over a thousand pounds.*

## slipping<sup>25</sup>

Slipping means falling.



## snow<sup>22</sup>

Snow is the little white flakes that fall from the sky when it is cold.



# Elizabeth Blackwell

## agree<sup>11</sup>

When people agree, they think the same thing is true. *Many kids agree that clowns are funny.*

## believe in<sup>16</sup>

When you believe in a person, you think that person will do well at something.

## hospital<sup>18</sup>

A hospital is a place sick people go for help.



## learn<sup>13</sup>

Learn means to find out how to do new things. *Today in math class we are going to learn how to add.*

## medical doctor<sup>14</sup>

A medical doctor is a person who has graduated from a special school that teaches how to care for sick people or help people stay well.



## opened<sup>17</sup>

Opened means started or set up. *After she opened her toy store, she started a candy store in the same shopping center.*

## study<sup>12</sup>

When you study, you try to learn something. *Some people study by reading in the library.*



## U.S.<sup>15</sup>

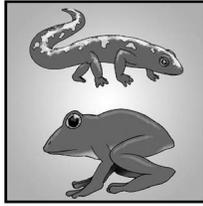
U.S. means United States, the name of a country in North America.



# Frogs

## amphibians<sup>19</sup>

Amphibians are animals that live in the water when they are young and breathe air when they are older. *Frogs are amphibians; they start their lives as tadpoles in the water.*



## grown<sup>23</sup>

If something is grown, it has reached full size. *The boy is 11 years old, and the grown man is 25.*

## hatch<sup>21</sup>

Hatch means to be born from an egg.



## humans<sup>27</sup>

Humans are people.

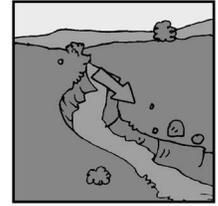


## kinds<sup>24</sup>

Kinds are types. *My favorite kinds of ice cream are chocolate and vanilla.*

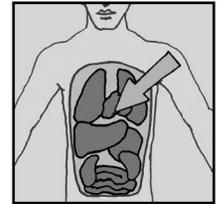
## land<sup>20</sup>

Land is ground that is not under water. *Our house is on land that is next to a river.*



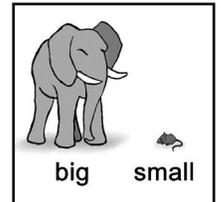
## organs<sup>26</sup>

Organs are parts of our bodies that keep us alive. *The heart, the liver, and the kidneys are organs.*



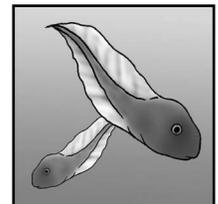
## sizes<sup>25</sup>

Sizes tell how big or little things are. *Animals come in many sizes: elephants are big, and mice are small.*



## tadpoles<sup>22</sup>

Tadpoles are baby frogs or toads. Tadpoles look like fish, but they grow up to be frogs.



## 1900s<sup>12</sup>

The 1900s was a period of time from the start of the year 1900 to the last day of 1999. *The first computer was invented in the 1900s.*

## alone<sup>16</sup>

Alone means not with anyone else. *I didn't want to go outside alone, so I asked my sister to come with me.*

## brave<sup>18</sup>

If you are brave, you are willing to do hard or scary things. *The brave firefighter went into the burning building and saved three people.*

## disappeared<sup>17</sup>

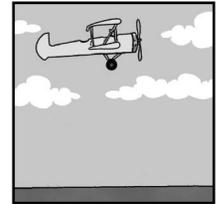
If something disappeared, it was suddenly gone. *She was sad when her dog disappeared; she thinks it ran away.*

## early<sup>11</sup>

Early means near the beginning. *Marta and I were both born in early June: she was born on June 2, and I was born on June 4.*

## flight<sup>15</sup>

A flight is a trip through the air made by a bird or airplane. *The boy took his first flight on a large airplane.*



## flight school<sup>14</sup>

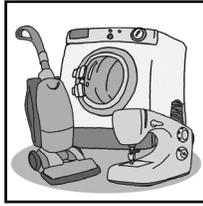
A flight school is where a person goes to learn to fly an airplane.

## still<sup>13</sup>

Still means not moving. *The students sat so still they looked like statues.*

## **machines**<sup>20</sup>

Machines are things that people make to do work for them. *Washing machines help people wash clothes quickly.*



## **program**<sup>27</sup>

Program means to write instructions or code for computers so that the computers and software will work as planned. *I learned how to program computers so that I could help make a computer game.*

## **manager**<sup>26</sup>

A manager is a person who tells other workers what to do and how to do it. *Laura is a good manager because she clearly explains what her workers need to do.*

## **solved**<sup>21</sup>

Solved means figured out the answer to a problem or mystery. *I solved the math problems quickly because I knew the multiplication facts well.*

## **math**<sup>22</sup>

Math is a short word for mathematics, which is the study of numbers, shapes, and measurements. *Scientists used math to figure out the distance between the moon and Earth.*

## **sound**<sup>19</sup>

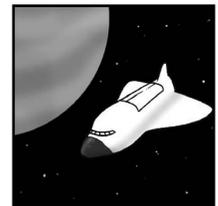
Sound means to seem or to appear. *I knew that telling the teacher the dog ate my homework would sound silly, but it was true!*

## **NASA**<sup>25</sup>

NASA is a government group in charge of space research and space travel. NASA stands for National Aeronautics and Space Administration. *NASA built and tested the rockets it used to send people to the moon.*

## **space flight**<sup>23</sup>

Space flight is travel beyond Earth's atmosphere. *Juan likes to read books about space flight because he wants to be an astronaut someday.*



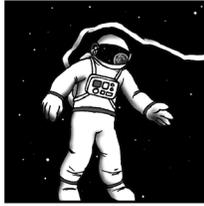
## **organization**<sup>24</sup>

An organization is a group of people working together for a purpose. Examples of organizations include clubs, businesses, and teams.

# Sailors in Space

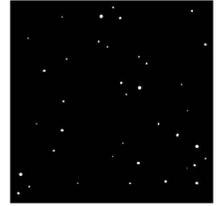
## astronaut<sup>11</sup>

An astronaut is a person who travels in space.



## space<sup>13</sup>

Space is the place where the stars and the planets are.



## float<sup>16</sup>

When things float, they stay on top of the water or up in the air. *Balloons float in the air, and boats float on the water.*

## gravity<sup>15</sup>

Gravity is the force that pulls things to the ground. *Gravity makes apples fall from trees.*

## sailor<sup>12</sup>

A sailor is a worker on a ship.



## skills<sup>19</sup>

Skills are things a person can do well. *Playing the piano and juggling are skills.*

## spaces<sup>18</sup>

Spaces are places or areas. *Cupboards are spaces for plates and cups.*

## strapped<sup>17</sup>

Strapped means tied down or held in place. *A person is strapped in the car when wearing a seat belt.*



## tests<sup>14</sup>

Tests are experiments that are done to find out more about something. *We did tests to find out what would make our plants grow faster: we gave one plant more water and put the other plant in the sun.*

## coins<sup>28</sup>

Coins are round pieces of metal, like pennies and dimes.



## equal<sup>21</sup>

When we say people are equal, we mean they have the right to do the same things.

## facts<sup>25</sup>

Facts are things that are true or really happened. *The size and weight of the candy bar are facts; how it tastes is an opinion.*

## featured<sup>29</sup>

Featured means made something a main part or showed it in a big way. *The front page of the newspaper featured a story about a nurse who saved a baby's life.*

## fought<sup>26</sup>

Fought means worked for something you wanted or believed in. *We fought for the new playground by raising money and writing letters to the mayor.*

## own<sup>24</sup>

When you own something, it is yours. *After Meg pays for the toy, she will own it.*

## Quaker<sup>20</sup>

A Quaker is a person who belongs to the Quaker religion.

## right<sup>27</sup>

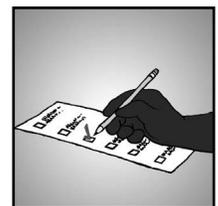
A right is something that is fair for you to have or do. *She had the right to play with the toy she brought to the playground.*

## treated<sup>22</sup>

Treated means acted or behaved toward someone in a certain way. *My grandma treated us well; she always gave us hugs and baked cookies for us.*

## vote<sup>23</sup>

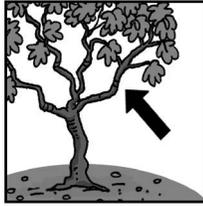
When you vote, you show your choice. *She will vote for a new president.*



# Do They Die?

## branches<sup>14</sup>

Branches are the long parts of trees that come out from the trunks like arms.



## freezes<sup>17</sup>

When something freezes, it gets very cold or turns to ice. *A lake turns to ice when it freezes.*

## ground<sup>16</sup>

Ground is soil and dirt that covers the land. *Grass covers the ground around my house.*

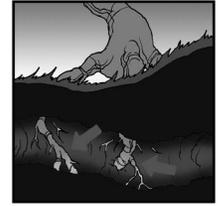
## leaves<sup>12</sup>

Leaves are parts of plants or trees. They grow from the stems or branches and are often green and flat.



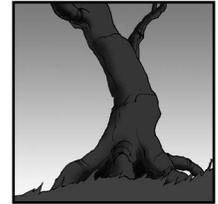
## roots<sup>15</sup>

Roots are the parts of trees and plants that grow underground.



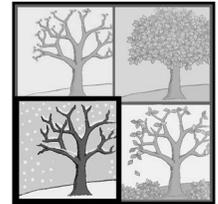
## trunk<sup>13</sup>

The trunk is the thick main stem of a tree.



## winter<sup>11</sup>

Winter is the time of year between fall and spring. *Last winter was even colder than usual.*



# Earth's Star

## billions<sup>21</sup>

Billions are thousands of millions.  
*There are billions of pieces of sand in the desert.*

## energy<sup>20</sup>

Energy is the power to work. *Food gives energy to our bodies, and burning coal gives energy to make electricity.*

## gas<sup>19</sup>

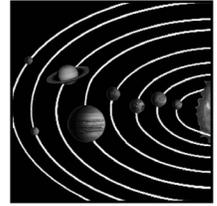
Gas is like air and can be used to make things burn or make things float. *Helium is a gas we put in balloons to make them float in the air.*

## million<sup>23</sup>

A million is a thousand thousands. *One million is written with a one followed by six zeros: 1,000,000.*

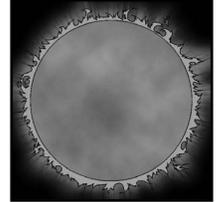
## planets<sup>24</sup>

Planets are the round objects in outer space that go around the sun.



## star<sup>18</sup>

A star is a ball of burning gas in space. It gives off heat and light.



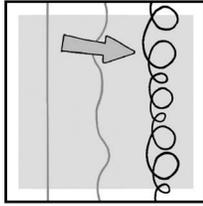
## universe<sup>22</sup>

The universe is everything that exists. *The universe includes all the stars, planets, and moons.*

# The Hair on Your Head

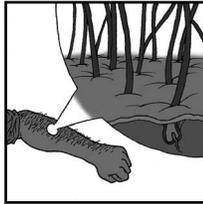
## curly<sup>18</sup>

If something is curly, it bends into a round or twisted shape.



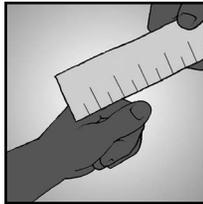
## follicles<sup>15</sup>

Follicles are tiny holes in the skin from which hairs grow.



## length<sup>14</sup>

Length is how long something is. *You can use a ruler to measure the length of your thumb.*



## month<sup>12</sup>

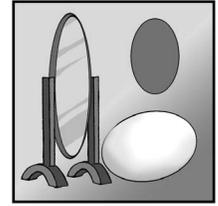
A month is 28 to 31 days. *A calendar shows what month it is.*

## natural<sup>13</sup>

Natural is the way something is on its own or in nature. *Jessie doesn't need to curl her hair, because she has natural curls.*

## oval<sup>17</sup>

Oval means shaped like a circle but not perfectly round. *An egg has an oval shape.*

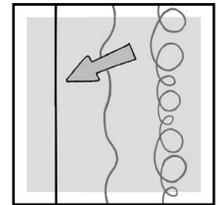


## protects<sup>11</sup>

Protects means keeps safe from danger.

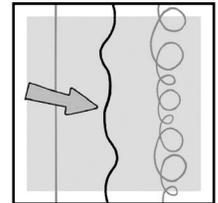
## straight<sup>19</sup>

If something is straight, it does not bend or curve. *The lines in a notebook are straight.*



## wavy<sup>16</sup>

If something is wavy, it has many small bends.



## around<sup>21</sup>

If you go around something, you go on all sides of it. *I saw all four sides of the building when I rode around it on my bike.*

## calendar year<sup>22</sup>

A calendar year is the time between January 1 and December 31. Most years, a calendar year has 365 days, but every fourth calendar year has 366 days.

## Earth<sup>20</sup>

Earth is the planet we live on.

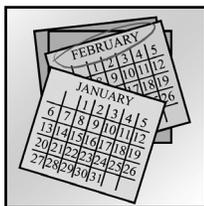


## extra<sup>24</sup>

Extra is more than usual or expected. *The waitress put the extra food in a bag.*

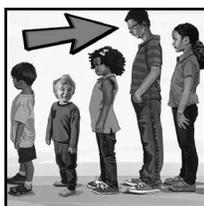
## February<sup>28</sup>

February is the second and shortest month of the year. *Valentine's Day is the fourteenth day of February.*



## fourth<sup>23</sup>

Fourth is the ordinal number that follows first, second, and third. Like other ordinal numbers, fourth tells which place or position something is in.



## hours<sup>26</sup>

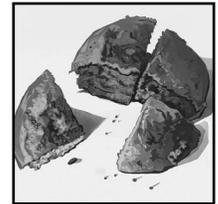
Hours are measurements of time. There are 60 minutes in an hour and 24 hours in a day. *My school day is about six hours long.*

## leap year<sup>29</sup>

A leap year is a year that has 366 days. *A leap year happens every four years when February has an extra day.*

## quarter<sup>25</sup>

Quarter means one of four equal parts of something. *Because there are four of us, we can cut the muffin into four equal pieces and each eat a quarter of it.*

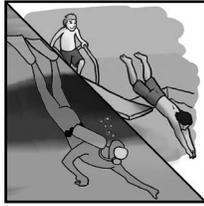


## saved<sup>27</sup>

Saved means kept something until ready to use it. *I saved the points my teacher gave me until I had enough for a prize.*

## dive<sup>13</sup>

Dive means to go headfirst into or through water.

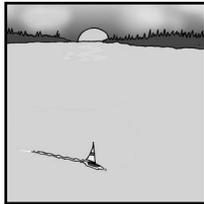


## haunting<sup>11</sup>

Haunting means sad or strange while being hard to forget and often beautiful at the same time. *I thought the picture of the little boy saved from the fire was haunting; he had such beautiful eyes, but he had clearly been through a terrible event.*

## open water<sup>17</sup>

Open water is an area of water that is wide enough or deep enough to move around in freely. *The sailor slowly moved his boat away from the crowded dock; when he reached open water, he knew he could safely go fast.*



## per<sup>15</sup>

Per means each. *Dad is driving at a rate of 60 miles per hour, so he will go 60 miles each hour.*

## solid<sup>12</sup>

Solid means filled all the way through. *The statue was carved from solid rock and was very heavy.*

## spend time<sup>14</sup>

Spend time means to use time to do things. *I spend time listening to the radio before I go to bed.*

## stretch<sup>16</sup>

A stretch is a large area of land or water with nothing separating it into parts. *We traveled for miles without stopping on the stretch of road through the desert.*

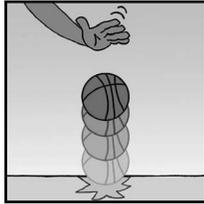


## born alive<sup>19</sup>

When an animal is born alive, it is not in an egg when it comes out of its mother.

## bounce<sup>22</sup>

Bounce means to come back after hitting something.

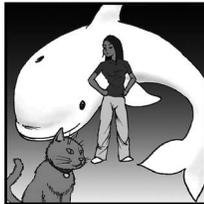


## hit<sup>21</sup>

Hit means to bump into something. *The ball hit the wall.*

## mammals<sup>18</sup>

Mammals are warm-blooded animals that have fur or hair. *Most mammals do not lay eggs.*



## stretch<sup>24</sup>

When things stretch, they spread out.

## travel<sup>20</sup>

Travel means to move from one place to another. *Kate likes to travel from city to city on trains.*

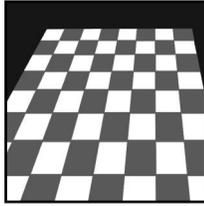
## weighs<sup>23</sup>

What something weighs is how heavy it is. *The scale says that the girl weighs 60 pounds.*

# Car Racing

## checkered<sup>20</sup>

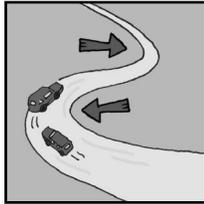
If something is checkered, it has a pattern of squares.



## curves<sup>17</sup>

Curves are bends.

*Drivers go slowly on roads that have lots of curves.*



## exciting<sup>11</sup>

Exciting means very fun or interesting.

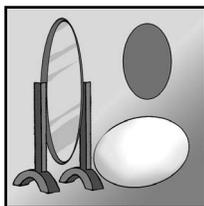
*Riding on a roller coaster is exciting.*

## finish line<sup>19</sup>

A finish line is the line that shows where a race ends. *The first horse that crosses the finish line wins the race.*

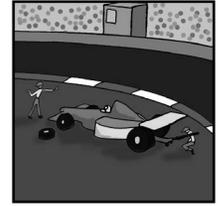
## oval<sup>16</sup>

Oval means shaped like a circle but not perfectly round. *An egg has an oval shape.*



## pit<sup>18</sup>

A pit is a place on the side of a racetrack to stop and fix cars.



## skill<sup>14</sup>

Skill is the ability to do something well.

*She shows great skill on the piano when she plays long and difficult pieces from memory.*

## sport<sup>12</sup>

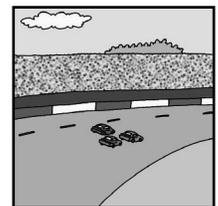
A sport is a game or contest people can watch. *Baseball is a sport.*

## tests<sup>13</sup>

Tests means tries something out to see how good it is. *Jake tests the chocolate sauce before putting it on his ice cream.*

## track<sup>15</sup>

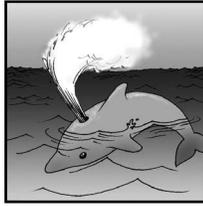
A track is a road used to race on.



# Bottlenose Dolphins

## blowhole<sup>23</sup>

A blowhole is a small hole in the top of the head of a whale or dolphin that helps it breathe.



## born alive<sup>25</sup>

When an animal is born alive, it is not in an egg when it comes out of its mother.

## breathe<sup>22</sup>

When you breathe, you take air into your body and then let it out.

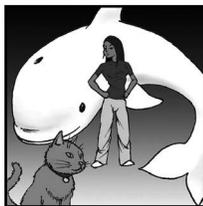
## bubble rings<sup>28</sup>

Bubble rings are underwater bubbles that are shaped like rings. *Dolphins create bubble rings and play with them under the water.*



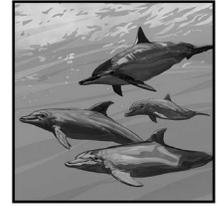
## mammals<sup>21</sup>

Mammals are warm-blooded animals that have fur or hair. *Most mammals do not lay eggs.*



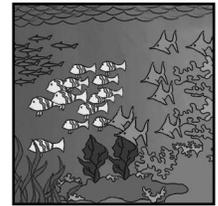
## Pods<sup>27</sup>

Pods are groups of sea mammals that swim together in the ocean. *Dolphins, whales, and seals are animals that often swim together in pods.*



## schools<sup>26</sup>

Schools are groups of fish or other water animals swimming together.

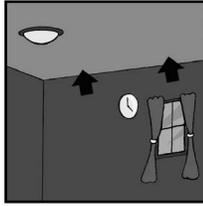


## surface<sup>24</sup>

A surface is the outside or top part of something. *Ducks look like they're just sitting on the surface of the water, but their feet are moving below the surface.*

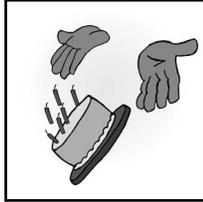
## ceiling<sup>13</sup>

The ceiling is the top part of a room.



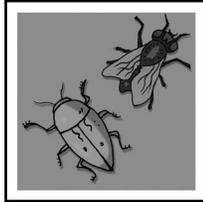
## drop<sup>14</sup>

Drop means to shed or let go. *If I drop the cake, it will fall on the floor.*



## insects<sup>17</sup>

Insects are small animals with six legs that often have wings. *Flies and beetles are insects.*



## lizard<sup>12</sup>

A lizard is a reptile with scaly skin and a long tail.



## noise<sup>15</sup>

A noise is a sound or something you can hear. *Moo is a noise that a cow makes.*

## still<sup>16</sup>

Still means even so. *Even though they smell, Jack still likes skunks.*

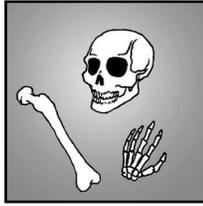
## strange<sup>11</sup>

If something is strange, it is different from what you are used to seeing. *The boy was afraid because he saw a strange insect in his bedroom.*

# Fun on Ice

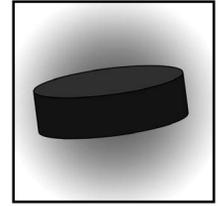
## **bones**<sup>18</sup>

Bones are the hard parts inside bodies.



## **puck**<sup>25</sup>

A puck is a heavy, black disk that gets hit around in hockey.



## **boots**<sup>19</sup>

Boots are kinds of shoes people wear in the winter to keep their feet warm and dry.



## **smooth**<sup>22</sup>

Smooth means flat, without bumps or rough spots. *The slide at the park was smooth.*

## **glide**<sup>21</sup>

When things glide, they move smoothly and easily. *Roller skates glide.*

## **sport**<sup>24</sup>

A sport is a game or contest people can watch. *Baseball is a sport.*

## **ice-skate**<sup>20</sup>

Ice-skate means to move over smooth ice wearing special shoes with blades on them.



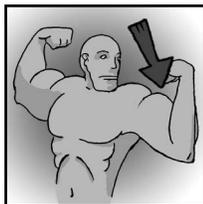
## **stick**<sup>26</sup>

A stick is a long, thin piece of wood.



## **muscles**<sup>23</sup>

Muscles are parts of the body that help you move. *Weight lifters have big muscles.*



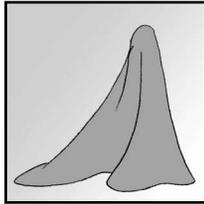
## cleared<sup>16</sup>

Cleared means got rid of.  
*Mike cleared the woods by chopping down trees.*



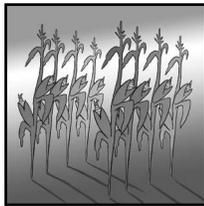
## cloth<sup>19</sup>

Cloth is a material that people use to make many things. *She bought cloth to make curtains, a bedspread, and some clothes.*



## crops<sup>17</sup>

Crops are the plants that farmers grow.



## explorers<sup>13</sup>

Explorers are people who travel to and learn about new places. *Some explorers looked for gold.*

## pioneers<sup>11</sup>

Pioneers are the first people to do something.  
*Pioneers traveled west in covered wagons.*

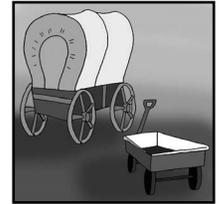


## traders<sup>14</sup>

Traders are people who give something to another person who gives them something in return.

## wagons<sup>18</sup>

Wagons are carts that have four wheels and are used to carry things.



## wave<sup>15</sup>

A wave is a lot of something at once.  
*The first wave of shoppers came to the sale early.*

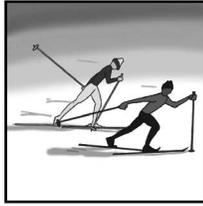
## Wild West<sup>12</sup>

The Wild West was the last part of the United States that the pioneers moved into.

# Skiing Over the Snow

## cross-country skiing<sup>22</sup>

Cross-country skiing is the sport of using skis to move over flat snow.



## glide<sup>20</sup>

When things glide, they move smoothly and easily. *Roller skates glide.*

## hiking<sup>23</sup>

Hiking means walking, often through the woods or on a mountain.



## metal<sup>27</sup>

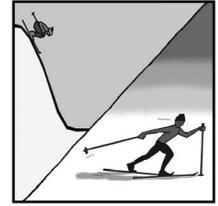
Metal is a material like gold, silver, copper, or iron.

## plastic<sup>26</sup>

Plastic is something that can be molded into many things. *Toys, cups, and pencil boxes can be made of plastic.*

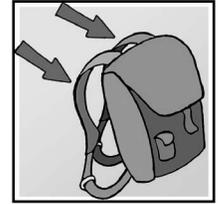
## skiers<sup>28</sup>

Skiers are people who move over the snow on skis. Skis are long pieces of wood or plastic that go under people's feet.



## straps<sup>25</sup>

Straps are strips of plastic or leather used to hold things in place. *The straps on her backpack hold it to her back.*



## strips<sup>21</sup>

Strips are long, flat pieces of something. *George used strips of wood to build a boat.*

## thrilling<sup>24</sup>

Thrilling means very fun or exciting. *Riding a roller coaster can be thrilling.*

# Volcano

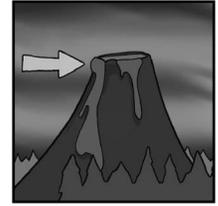
## crack<sup>12</sup>

A crack is a split or break. *Julie saw a crack in the ice.*



## lava<sup>14</sup>

Lava is hot, melted rock that shoots from a volcano.



## eruption<sup>15</sup>

An eruption is an explosion in which fire, smoke, or liquid shoots out of something. *A volcanic eruption shoots out lava and ash.*



## liquid<sup>13</sup>

Liquid is something that flows easily. *Juice is a liquid.*

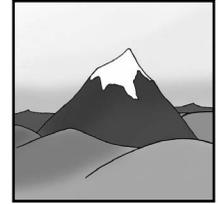


## forms<sup>16</sup>

Forms means makes something. *Billy forms a sand castle with sand and water.*

## mountain<sup>11</sup>

A mountain is a very high hill. *The top of a mountain can be above the clouds.*



## gas<sup>17</sup>

Gas is like air and can be used to make things burn or make things float. *Helium is a gas we put in balloons to make them float in the air.*

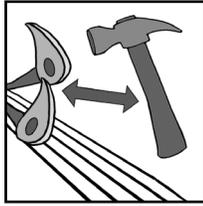
## powerful<sup>18</sup>

Powerful means very strong or having a lot of force. *A powerful wind blew the roof off their house.*

# Piano

## hammers<sup>20</sup>

Hammers are things used to hit or pound.



## keys<sup>19</sup>

Keys are the parts of instruments you press down to make music.



## metal<sup>23</sup>

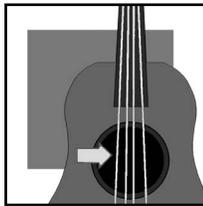
Metal is a material like gold, silver, copper, or iron.

## music<sup>26</sup>

Music is sounds put together for singing, listening, or playing on an instrument.  
*The teacher played music on the piano.*

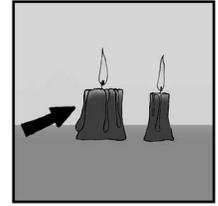
## strings<sup>21</sup>

Strings are the wires on some musical instruments.  
*Guitars and violins have strings.*



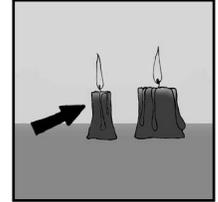
## thick<sup>25</sup>

If something is thick, its sides are far apart. *A dictionary is a thick book.*



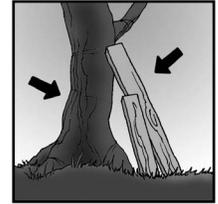
## thin<sup>24</sup>

If something is thin, its sides are close together. *String is thin, and rope is thick.*



## wood<sup>22</sup>

Wood is the hard part of trees and some other plants. People use wood to make things and to make fires. *Jim used wood to build the table.*



## **avoid**<sup>11</sup>

Avoid means to stay away from. *She tries to avoid stepping in the puddle.*

## **form**<sup>15</sup>

Form means to make something. *Billy likes to form a sand castle with sand and water.*

## **gather**<sup>16</sup>

Gather means to get together in one place.

## **greet**<sup>17</sup>

Greet means to say hello. *Many people shake hands when they greet each other.*

## **lone**<sup>13</sup>

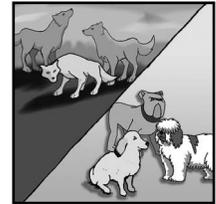
Lone means alone. *The lone tree was the only plant for miles.*

## **mate**<sup>14</sup>

A mate is one of two animals that live together. *The mother duck is the father duck's mate; together, they have four baby ducks.*

## **packs**<sup>12</sup>

Packs are groups of wild animals, like wolves.

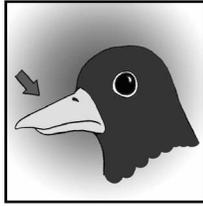


## **territory**<sup>18</sup>

Territory is a certain area that belongs to someone or something. *The bird protected her nest because it was her territory.*

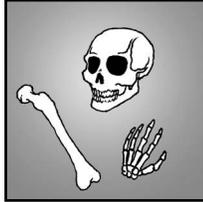
## beak<sup>21</sup>

A beak is a hard, pointed mouth.



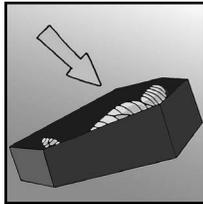
## bones<sup>19</sup>

Bones are the hard parts inside bodies.



## mummy<sup>23</sup>

A mummy is a dead body that has been kept from rotting.



## thought<sup>22</sup>

If you thought about something, you had an idea or a feeling or a belief about it.

*Rita thought bugs were fun to play with, but Leah thought they were scary.*

## turned<sup>24</sup>

Turned means changed. *The leaves were green in the summer, and they turned red in the fall.*

## wide<sup>20</sup>

If something is wide, it is long from side to side. *A triangle is wide at the bottom.*



