

More School Subject Readings

Answer Key

Unit 1 >>

Lesson 1 Superman

Pre-Reading

1. Yes, he does. He looks like Superman.
2. I think he can fly and change clothes super fast.
3. Yes, I can name quite a few./No, I can't name any.

Learning Vocabulary

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|------|------|
| 1. b | 2. g |
| 3. e | 4. d |
| 5. a | 6. f |
| 7. c | 8. h |

Understanding the Passage

- A. c
- B. 1. c 2. a
3. b

Understanding Details

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| 1. b | 2. a |
| 3. c | 4. a |

Write in Your Own Words

1. Jerry Siegel and Joe Shuster, two childhood friends, created Superman.
2. Superman has been around for almost seventy years.
3. Superman became so popular over time because he had special powers. He was also a kind and friendly character.

Visualize the Passage

- Causes - b
- Effects - c, d

Summarize the Passage

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|-------------------|--------------|
| 1. caped | 2. childhood |
| 3. planet | 4. steel |
| 5. indestructible | 6. villain |
| 7. hero | |

Lesson 2 The Hopper

Pre-Reading

1. It's a grasshopper.
2. Yes, I've read many comic books./No, I haven't read any.

3. No, I wouldn't read it, but I would read a comic book about a spider.

Learning Vocabulary

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|--------------|-------------|
| 1. distances | 2. gadgets |
| 3. foremost | 4. disguise |
| 5. revenge | 6. command |
| 7. assume | 8. disable |

Understanding the Passage

- A. a
- B. 1. a 2. d
3. c

Understanding Details

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|------|------|
| 1. a | 2. a |
| 3. b | 4. a |

Write in Your Own Words

1. The superhero's secret identity is the most important decision to make.
2. Special abilities set one superhero apart from another.
3. The author needs to think of an origin for the Hopper. He or she needs to think of where the Hopper comes from, and villains have to be created.

Visualize the Passage

- Batman and Superman - a, d, e
- The Hopper - c, g

Summarize the Passage

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|--------------|----------------|
| 1. superhero | 2. secret |
| 3. protect | 4. grasshopper |
| 5. abilities | 6. jump |
| 7. enemies | |

Unit 2 >>

Lesson 1 The Greatest Volcano

Pre-Reading

1. I see a volcano in the picture.
2. I think the mountain is exploding.
3. If I saw fire come out of a mountain, I'd run to the nearest helicopter and fly away.

Learning Vocabulary

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|----------------|----------------------|
| 1. tore | 2. erupted |
| 3. atmosphere | 4. scenes |
| 5. inspired | 6. Natural disasters |
| 7. devastation | |

Understanding the Passage

- A. a
- B. 1. b 2. a
 3. d 4. e

Understanding Details

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|------|------|
| 1. c | 2. a |
| 3. c | 4. a |

Write in Your Own Words

1. The eruption of Krakatau took place during the summer of 1883.
2. The eruption of Krakatau darkened the skies. The sunsets turned a bloody red.
3. The eruption of Krakatau is so famous because it was so strong and violent. People felt its effects around the world.

Visualize the Passage

Main Ideas

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|------|------|
| 1. d | 2. a |
| 3. b | 4. c |

Summarize the Passage

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|-------------|----------------|
| 1. erupted | 2. killed |
| 3. villages | 4. weather |
| 5. darken | 6. paintings |
| 7. skies | 8. devastation |

Lesson 2 The Story of Pele

Pre-Reading

1. A volcano is erupting and lava is spilling down in this picture.
2. Yes, there are volcanoes in my country, but not many.
3. I think volcanoes erupt because of pressure in the Earth.

Learning Vocabulary

Across

2. quench
5. mighty
7. dramatic
8. rangers

Down

1. summit
3. cursed
4. shelter
6. faraway

Understanding the Passage

- A. b
- B. 1. c 2. d
 3. a

Understanding Details

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|------|------|
| 1. a | 2. b |
| 3. d | 4. c |

Write in Your Own Words

1. Pele is a goddess of volcanoes. They say that she was born on the island of Tahiti and came to Hawaii.
2. Pele's sister, the sea goddess, chased Pele because Pele caused a giant eruption.
3. Park rangers still tell stories about Pele today at Hawaii Volcanoes National Park.

Visualize the Passage

- What I predicted - Answers will vary.
- What actually happened - Answers will vary.

Summarize the Passage

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|-------------|-------------|
| 1. child | 2. resulted |
| 3. dramatic | 4. shelter |
| 5. park | 6. curse |

Unit 3 >>

Lesson 1 The Academy Awards

Pre-Reading

1. That statue is called Oscar.
2. The statue is given out once a year.
3. Lord of the Rings won many Oscars.

Learning Vocabulary

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|------|------|
| 1. b | 2. g |
| 3. e | 4. h |
| 5. d | 6. a |
| 7. f | 8. c |

Learning Vocabulary

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|--------------|------------|
| 1. offspring | 2. nursing |
| 3. extinct | 4. fossils |
| 5. isolated | 6. propel |
| 7. Predators | 8. pouch |

Understanding the Passage

- A. c
- B. 1. c 2. a
3. b 4. e

Understanding Details

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|------|------|
| 1. c | 2. d |
| 3. c | 4. a |

Write in Your Own Words

1. The offspring of marsupials grow and develop in their mothers' pouches.
2. Scientists learn about extinct marsupials from their fossils.
3. Kangaroos have large back legs. They eat grasses and other plants from the ground. Koalas have four legs of equal length and live in trees.

Visualize the Passage

- Kangaroo - a, e
- Koala - c
- Both - b, d

Summarize the Passage

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|---------------|-------------|
| 1. Australia | 2. pouches |
| 3. isolated | 4. millions |
| 5. extinct | 6. back |
| 7. eucalyptus | |

Lesson 2 Life in the Outback

Pre-Reading

1. Yes, I've been on a trip to the countryside every summer and fall.
2. Yes, my aunt and uncle live in the countryside.
3. I'd rather live in the countryside, but not too far from the city, too!

Learning Vocabulary

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|------|------|
| 1. d | 2. e |
| 3. f | 4. c |
| 5. g | 6. a |
| 7. b | |

Understanding the Passage

- A. a
- B. 1. b 2. d
3. c

Understanding Details

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|------|------|
| 1. b | 2. d |
| 3. d | 4. b |

Write in Your Own Words

1. Caleb Watts lives on a ranch in the Australian Outback.
2. Caleb Watts enjoys playing with Archie because he is so lonely. He does not have many friends in the Outback.
3. He thought his father had killed something that meant a lot to him.

Visualize the Passage

- What I predicted - Answers will vary.
- What actually happened - Answers will vary.
- What might happen next - Answers will vary.

Summarize the Passage

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|-----------------|-------------|
| 1. along | 2. boring |
| 3. conveniences | 4. drinking |
| 5. leaves | 6. shot |
| 7. billabong | |

Unit 6 >>

Lesson 1 Early Home Video Games

Pre-Reading

1. The boy is playing a video game.
2. Yes, I like to play computer games.
3. Yes, I have a few computer games at home.

Learning Vocabulary

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|------|------|
| 1. c | 2. b |
| 3. g | 4. e |
| 5. f | 6. a |
| 7. d | |

Understanding Details

1. c
2. a
3. c
4. d

Write in Your Own Words

1. "The Turk" was a sensation in Europe because it fooled many people so they told other people to come see it.
2. "Deep Blue" was able to analyze chess moves well.
3. Human intelligence is unique because we can think, decide, experience emotion, and create.

Visualize the Passage

- Order - d, a, b, c

Summarize the Passage

1. think
2. calculate
3. chess
4. hiding
5. analyze

Lesson 2 A Brave New World

Pre-Reading

1. Yes, I've seen robots in many movies.
2. Robots can clean the floor or make cars in real life.
3. If I could invent a new robot, it would help me learn English.

Learning Vocabulary

Across

1. destroyed
5. after all
8. miraculous

Down

2. settlements
3. laundry
4. programmed
6. pioneers
7. casing

Understanding the Passage

- A. d
- B. 1. a
2. d
3. c

Understanding Details

1. a
2. d
3. b
4. b

Write in Your Own Words

1. A casing broke, and an entire city was destroyed in 2540.
2. It would change the way children learn at school by making it too easy to memorize books. They could answer like a computer without thinking much about the answers.
3. Evander makes sure Zordon doesn't lose track of time so he can get home on time.

Visualize the Passage

Main Ideas

1. c
2. a
3. d
4. b

Summarize the Passage

1. settlement
2. memorized
3. classmates
4. parlor
5. feel
6. sure

Unit 8 >>

Lesson 1 Philanthropy

Pre-Reading

1. I think a monster threw all their furniture outside.
2. Yes, I know about hurricane Katrina and typhoon Memi.
3. No, I've never been in a terrible storm or earthquake before.

Learning Vocabulary

Across

3. frequently
4. temporary
6. in need
7. hygiene supplies

Down

1. footage
2. devastated
5. levees

Understanding Details

1. a
2. d
3. b
4. a

Write in Your Own Words

1. The Olympic Games were reestablished in 1896.
2. Dimitrios Loundras competed in the Olympics when he was just ten years old. He participated in gymnastics.
3. Certain sports favor athletes that are small and light. These sports include diving, ice skating, swimming, and gymnastics.

Visualize the Passage

Supporting Details

1. a
2. c
3. b
4. d
5. e

Summarize the Passage

1. modern
2. spirit
3. ages
4. oldest
5. gymnast
6. medal
7. cater to

Lesson 2 A Special Gymnast

Pre-Reading

1. Yes, gold is for first place, silver is for second, and bronze is for third place.
2. Yes, I can imagine winning an Olympic gold medal. I can only imagine it.
3. No, I can't./Yes, I can. One past gold medal winner is Jesse Owens.

Learning Vocabulary

1. prodigy
2. renowned
3. recognized
4. wowed
5. exceptional
6. trained
7. garnered

Understanding the Passage

- A. c
- B. 1. a
2. e
3. c
4. d

Understanding Details

1. a
2. a
3. b
4. b

Write in Your Own Words

1. Nadia Comaneci's performance was significant because she scored a perfect ten.
2. Nadia Comaneci became the European Champion at age 13.
3. Young people train for the Olympics because young people often have many advantages over older athletes.

Visualize the Passage

- Order - b, d, a, c, e

Summarize the Passage

1. history
2. uneven
3. famous
4. train
5. champion
6. amazed
7. medals

Unit 10 >>

Lesson 1 Feral Children

Pre-Reading

1. I see an ugly dog feeding two human children.
2. Parents protect, teach, feed, and clothe their children.
3. Wolves and humans are different in many ways. Two ways are: wolves have fur and can't speak a language, but humans have hair and can speak many languages.

Learning Vocabulary

1. c
2. g
3. e
4. d
5. b
6. f
7. a
8. h

Understanding the Passage

- A. c
- B. 1. c
2. a
3. b

Understanding Details

1. b
2. d
3. c
4. b

