

and Knowledge is a three-book series that targets intermediate English learners especially for Upper Elementary School and middle School level students. The series focuses on various but mandatory topics for intermediate learners.

## Key Features

- Each book has 20 units. Each unit focuses on a unique topic. History, science, politics, economy, social studies, and world culture are just a handful of the topics included in each book.
- Before reading the main text, students are introduced to the topic with interesting fun facts and thought-provoking questions to think about in the Before You Study and Did You Know sections.
- Topics that may be unfamiliar to students are explained using level-appropriate vocabulary, and ideas are written in ways that are easy to understand.
- Each book offers opportunities to learn valuable and essential reading skills. Questions and visual aids presented help students improve their reading ability for different purposes.
- Depending on the unit, a Grammar Lesson or Vocabulary Extension section is provided. Students can significantly strengthen their English grammar and vocabulary skills by diligently studying these sections.
- At the end of each unit, students can engage in further study in the theme of the main text with the provided Critical Reading passages and questions. Students can discuss more than one point of view on a certain issue and exercise critical thinking ability.

## Components

• Student Book with CD 1~3

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Answer Keys / Sample Lesson Plans





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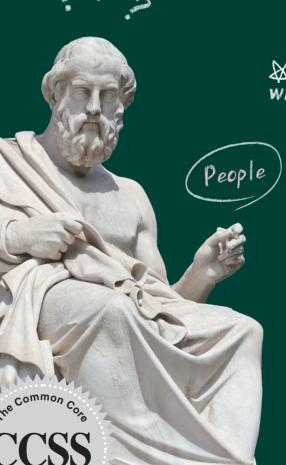
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Lion vs Tiger

**☆** William Shakespeare



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## Preview

## **Before You Study**

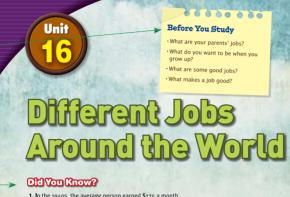
This topic relevant, pre-reading activity introduces the topic, activates prior knowledge, and warms up the mind for efficient reading.

## **Did You Know?**

By using interesting and thought-provoking information, this section aims to entice and motivate students for maximal learning.

## **Vocabulary to Know**

Words of highest relevance and/or difficulty are presented here in order to prepare readers for the passage to come and in order to serve as a quick reference for later review.



1. In the 1940s, the average person earned \$125 a month. 2. In the 1950s, minimum wage was \$1. 3. 30% of children in Thailand want to be doctors when they grow up. More people are getting jobs unrelated to the

not safe: likely to cause harm

normal, regular, or usual

making poison as a way of attacking enemies or prev

a harmful substance released by an animal such as the snake

## Different JOBS AROUND THE WORLD



up? This may be a hard question nswer, but there are many jobs in the world. People want to be octors, teachers, police officers, and even soccer players. There are some mon jobs as well





a dangerous job. They capture poisonous snakes and et venom from them. This eat people that are bitten by snake

choose from. Working an ordinary job isn't for everyone. Maybe you think some of these occup s are weird. But remember, the world is a big place, and we need people willing to work all sorts of different job

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dangerous

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prisingly, there are many unique jobs to



## Main Reading

This core section includes a theme-based reading that is level-appropriate but challenging. Inviting imagery accompanies the straightforward text.

## **Reading Comprehension**

This section makes sure students have fully understood the most important ideas in the main reading.

## **Reading Skill**

The most important reading skills are covered here. Helpful explanations and practice exercises make sure students grasp the relevant concepts.

## Review

Summary Writing and Vocabulary Review sections give a helpful review of the unit and reinforce comprehension and vocabulary skills.

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6.	My younger	brother is ne	ver

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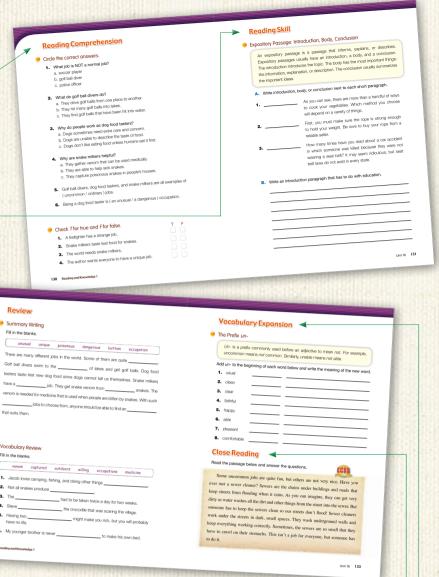
3. What are some other generally unwanted job: 4. What should be the most important factor when choosing a career?

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Each unit has a Grammar Lesson or Vocabulary Expansion section that offers an additional lesson designed to enrich learning and help students better understand more technical English language skills.

## **Close Reading**

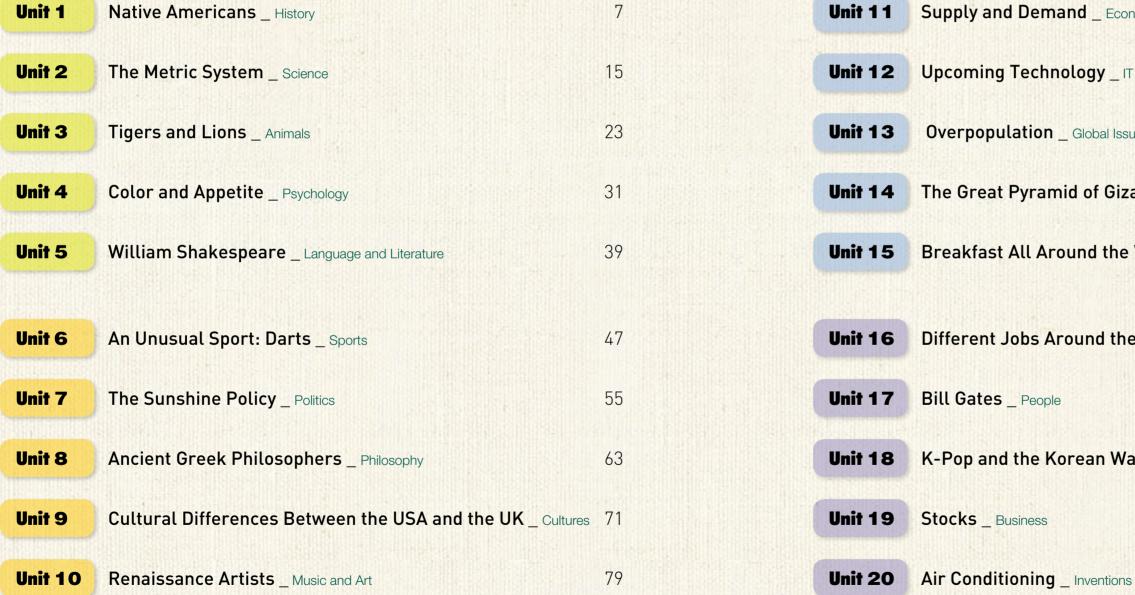
This section's main purpose is to promote critical thinking and reinforce close reading skills which are emphasized in the Common Core State Standards (CCSS). Students must carefully consider that which is written and answer questions that engage the mind and help improve topic comprehension.



## Grammar Lesson/Vocabulary Expansion

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NE Americans

## Did You Know?

Unit

- **1.** Native Americans lived in America for thousands of years before European explorers arrived there.
- 2. The most famous Native American was called Sitting Bull. He was part of the Sioux tribe which lived in Southern America.
- **3.** Native Americans are also called American Indians or Indians.
- **4.** Many Native Americans can still be found living in America.

## Vocabulary to Know

decrease	to reduce in size, strength, amou
explorer	a person who travels to unknown
tribe	a group of people with common
pride	a feeling of self-respect and hone
law	a rule passed by a government th
poverty	having little or no money

## Before You Study

- What do you know about Native Americans?
- Do you know the name of any Native American tribes?

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- Have you ever met or seen a Native American in real life?
- · Have you ever visited America?



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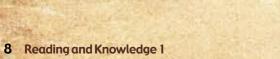
## Americans

Native American Indians have been an important part of the culture of America. While their people have lived in America for thousands of years, today their numbers continue to **decrease**. Once, Native Americans lived in America happily. In fact, they were a smart and powerful group of people. But their lives changed a lot because of **explorers**.

> Before the arrival of European explorers, Native Americans lived without much difficulty. Men hunted for food and protected their families. Women looked after the children and cooked. Each **tribe** had a strong sense of **pride**. Everyone worked hard to

make sure life was good. Families slept together in their tipis, or tents. Native Americans were strong and healthy.

After Europeans started to travel to America, Native Americans began to suffer. They brought over serious diseases. This killed many Native Americans. Later on, many different **laws** were passed by US presidents saying that the Indians had to leave their American homelands. This was the beginning of many sad stories. Today, there are about 560 Native American tribes within America. Many face problems such as **poverty**, alcohol abuse, and heart disease.





## **Reading Comprehension**

e Cir	cle the correct answers.
1.	When did Native Americans first arrive in America? a. just before European settlers b. at the same time as European settlers c. many years before European settlers
2.	What killed many Native Americans? a. horses used by European settlers b. European diseases c. unhealthy food
3.	Native Americans were treated by numerous American presidents.a. wellb. poorlyc. fairly
4.	Where did Native Americans sleep? a. in fancy buildings b. in tipis c. in castles
5.	Native Americans had their land ( taken from / given to ) them by American Presidents.
6.	Native Americans today ( suffer / don't suffer ) various problems.
🤵 Ch	eck T for true and F for false. $T = F$
1.	European explorers arrived in America at the same time
2.	Many Native Americans settled in Europe.
3.	Many Native Americans still live in the US.

**4.** Native Americans used to hunt for food.

## **Reading Skill**

## **Finding Topics**

A topic is the central idea an author is writing about. In other words, the topic is what a passage is about. This can usually be stated in one or two words. For example, this unit's passage is about Native Americans, so the topic is Native Americans.

## For each paragraph below, write the topic.

1. it is not their native language.

## Topic

2.

## Topic

3. process called fossilization.

Topic

English has become a major language around the world mostly because of its importance in business. For example, if a company in China wanted to do business with a company in Mexico, it would need to be able to communicate with the Mexican company. These days, employees from Chinese companies and Mexican companies speak in English even though

These days, if you want to communicate with someone across the country you have many choices. You could email, send a text message, or just simply pick up the telephone and call. But back in the 1800s, if you wanted to send a message over a long distance, you only had one choice, the telegraph.

Long ago, dinosaurs roamed the planet, but one day they became extinct. Luckily, many of their bones were covered in dirt and hidden from the destructive forces of nature for millions of years. This is all due to a



## Summary

## Fill in the blanks.

	poverty	proud	explorers	diseases	arrival
Before	e Europeans ca	me to Americ	a, Native Americ	cans lived their live	es without trouble
and v	vere happy. The	ey were stror	ng and smart p	eople. But the _	of
Europ	ean explorers i	in America w	as a disaster fo	or Native America	ans. Many Native
Ameri	icans lost their li	ves because o	of	brought over fr	om Europe. Many
more	Native America	ans lost their	homes and lan	d. European	and
Ameri	ican Presidents	treated Native	Americans very	badly. Native Ame	ericans were once
very _		, but now face	e many problems	s including	

## **Vocabulary Review**

## Fill in the blanks.

	problems	proud	laws	decrease	protected			
1.	Poverty and disease are serious			in today's society.				
2.	Some countries	are	of th	eir great history, v	while others are not.			
2	Many paopla ba		anta intra di	ing to a many	to			

- Many people believe governments introduce too many to 3. control people.
- **4.** I told the speeding taxi driver to his driving speed.
- **5.** The lioness its cubs from the hungry hyenas.

## **Grammar Lesson**

## **Possessive Adjectives**

Possessive adjectives are words that help to show ownership and reference to a particular person or group of people. For example, in the unit's passage, their lives refers to the lives of the Native Americans.

## Rewrite the underlined words by using possessive adjectives.

**1.** Jack and Jill had their shoes, but Jack and Jill's bucket was missing.

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them.

## **Critical Thinking**

## Read the passage below and answer each question.

Many people continue to believe that the American government does not do enough to help Native Americans. These people say that Native Americans should be given money and land to compensate them for their losses. However, other people believe that these events happened a very long time ago. They say that Native Americans have been given enough and that they should be thankful and stop complaining. The situation has become quite heated, with both sides believing they are correct. Some Native Americans have asked for their ancestors' land to be given back. However, this could prove to be very difficult as farms, houses, towns, and cities now occupy much of these lands. The problem is a very complicated one, and some people believe that Native Americans will never be properly compensated.

2. Benjamin wakes up early. Benjamin then goes outside to start Benjamin's car.

3. Ten of the Dalmatians were missing. The Dalmatians' owner was out looking for



- **1.** Do you think the American government should help Native Americans? Why or why not?
- 2. What could the American government do to help Native Americans?
- If you were a Native American, how would you feel about this situation? 3.

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## Did You Know?

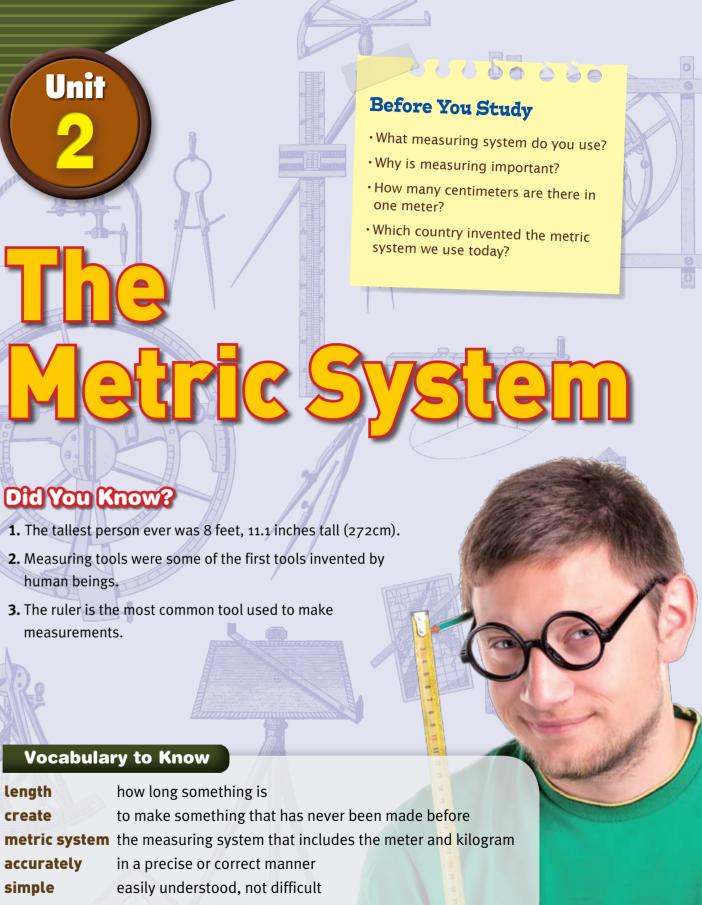
Unit

- 1. The tallest person ever was 8 feet, 11.1 inches tall (272cm).
- 2. Measuring tools were some of the first tools invented by human beings.
- **3.** The ruler is the most common tool used to make measurements.

## Vocabulary to Know

length create accurately simple reliable

how long something is to make something that has never been made before in a precise or correct manner easily understood, not difficult trustworthy, dependable



## he Metric System

Have you ever wondered about the history of measurement? It is very difficult to say exactly when it began. At first, people said that one foot should equal the **length** of a man's foot. However, it was quickly realized that foot sizes were different. This caused a lot of confusion. There was a need for a standard system of measurement.

In 1799, the French **created** a standard system of measurement called the **metric system**. Rather than using body parts, this system uses fixed lengths. Today, almost every country in the world uses it. There is no need to worry about any changes. In the metric system, everything is in terms of

ten. 100 centimeters equals one meter, 1,000 meters equals one kilometer, and so on. This means that no matter how big or small something is, it can be measured easily.

Measurements have been around for a long time. Since there was no way to measure **accurately**, there were many problems. The metric system ended those problems. It is **simple** and **reliable**. And since it is a worldwide standard, things like travel and communication are possible for everyone.





## **Reading Comprehension**

- Circle the correct answers.
  - **1.** Why was a new measurement system invented?
    - a. People wanted to travel more.
    - b. Different systems were causing confusion.
    - c. Nobody had measurement tools.
  - 2. Who was the metric system invented by?
    - a. people traveling to other countries
    - b. the British
    - c. the French
  - 3. What makes the metric system a worldwide standard?
    - a. Everyone has different feet.
    - b. The French use it.
    - c. Many people in many countries use it.
  - **4.** Which is NOT true about the metric system?
    - a. It is not a standard measurement system.
    - b. It can be used to measure a person's foot.
    - c. It includes the meter and centimeter.
  - 5. Measuring things was (difficult / easier) before the metric system was invented.
  - 6. The metric system is the (most / least) common form of measurement used today.

## Check T for true and F for false.

- **1.** The metric system has made measuring more difficult.
- 2. People used to measure things by the size of their feet.
- **3.** Most countries around the world now use the metric system.
- 4. The metric system is accurate and easy to use.

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## **Reading Skill**

## Main Ideas

A main idea expresses the major point the author is trying to make. The main idea of a paragraph is stated in the topic sentence. How can you find a topic sentence? It is the sentence that summarizes the rest of the paragraph. For example, if a paragraph explains how helpful dogs are to people, the topic sentence may be, "Without question, the dog has been the most helpful animal to human beings."

## Read each paragraph and write the topic sentence.

1. will say "yes" without hesitation.

## Topic Sentence

2.

## Topic Sentence

3. called fossilization.

## **Topic Sentence**

Reread the first paragraph of this unit's passage. What is the topic sentence?

Different people like different things, but nearly everyone likes ice cream. Ice cream is sold all around the world, and it is commonly eaten as dessert. It is the favorite dessert of many in the summer, but it is also enjoyed during the cold winter. Ask a hundred children if they want ice cream, and most

How many times have you seen a particular movie? Once? Twice? Perhaps ten times? Some may argue that movies today aren't as good as those from many years ago, but surely, these people could name a few older movies they've watched more than once. Modern psychological research is suggesting that many of us become emotionally attached to movies.

Long ago, dinosaurs roamed the planet, but one day they became extinct. Luckily, many of their bones were covered in dirt and hidden from the destructive forces of nature for millions of years. This is all due to a process

## Review

## Summary Writing

## Fill in the blanks.

accurate	world	standard	measure	systems	exist
Tools used to		objects ha	ave been arou	nd for thous	ands of year
However, the met	ric system v	was only intro	duced in 1799	9. The metric	system allov
everyone to make		measure	ements. The m	etric system o	quickly becan
popular around the	9	becaus	e it was simple	e and reliable.	Although oth
C	of measuren	nent still	, th	e metric syst	em is the mo
common. And sind	ce it a	S)	ystem of meas	surement, the	re is much les
confusion when de	ealing with r	neasurements	from other co	untries.	

## **Vocabulary Review**

## Fill in the blanks.

	reliable	measure	accurately	everyone	invented
1.	The scientist		_ removed 100 n	nl of water fror	n the beaker.
2.		_ at the wedo	ling said the brid	e looked beau	tiful.
3.	One can make	a lot of mone	y if a very useful t	tool is	
4.	It is important to needed.	o have	friends	s that will alwa	ys be there when
5.	People use scal	les to	their w	eight.	

## **Vocabulary Expansion**

## Antonyms

an antonym of cold.

## Match the words below with their antonyms.

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- **1.** simple
- **2.** reliable
- 3. long
- **4.** everybody •
- 5. good
- 6. common
- 7. break
- **8.** fast

## **Critical Thinking**

## Read the passage below and answer each question.

Most countries adopted the metric system very quickly, and it is now used by the majority of countries around the world. This was because it helped countries trade with each other more easily and also made traveling easier. However, its use has become a big issue in some countries. Although the UK officially uses the metric system, it also uses an older system for weight and distance measurements. This old system is called the imperial system. The imperial system was created before the metric system. Some people claim it is better than the metric system. The use of this old system often causes confusion for tourists visiting the UK, making it difficult for them to calculate prices and distances. Although the metric system is commonly used in the UK today, a lot of people still prefer the imperial system. These people believe that the imperial system is a part of their country's identity.



## An antonym is a word that is opposite in meaning to another. For example, hot is

- a. nobody
- b. short
- c. difficult
- d. unreliable
- e. slow
- f. fix
- g. unique
- h. bad



- **1.** Is the metric system a good idea? Why or why not?
- 2. Should countries be allowed to use whatever measurement system they want?
- **3.** Do you think the UK should be forced to use the metric system? Why or why not?

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Unit

- 1. The tiger and lion are members of the cat family
- **2.** Cats can see, hear, and smell much better than humans can.
- 3. Cats can see in almost complete darkness.

## Vocabulary to Know

predator	an animal that catches other an
pride	a group of lions that live and h
solitary	alone
mane	long hair that grows on the nec
carnivore	an animal that eats flesh
hunt	to go after and kill an animal fo



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 Have you ever seen a tiger or lion in the wild?

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- Which do you think is bigger?
- Which do you like more, and why?



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Have you ever seen lions or tigers at the zoo? Lions and tigers are amazing animals. They are both big cats. They have both been on earth for millions of years. Lions and tigers share many similarities, but there are also some differences between them.

> The lion and the tiger are the largest cats to be found in the wild. Out of the two, tigers



are generally bigger than lions. They are both apex **predators**, meaning they have no natural predators of their own. Lions are mostly light-brown in color. However, tigers are orange with beautiful black stripes. Lions are social animals. They live and travel together in groups. Each group is called a **pride**. Prides can contain as many as 15 lions. In contrast, tigers are **solitary** animals. The male lion has a **mane**, while the male tiger does not. Although they are both **carnivores**, they do not hunt in the same way. Since tigers travel alone, both males and females have to **hunt** for food. However, male lions don't hunt for food because the females are the hunters.

As you can see, lions and tigers have their differences. However, both are as strong and fierce as they are beautiful. And although we keep learning more about the two, it never gets easier deciding which to crown king.





## **Reading Comprehension**

Reading Comprehension			Readin	<b>Reading Skill</b>		
9	Circle the correct answers.	🏓 Supporting Details				
	<ul><li>1. Why is the lion a social animal?</li><li>a. It hunts alone.</li><li>b. It lives with other lions.</li><li>c. It does not live with other animals.</li></ul>		idea is sta main idea	hs aren't simply filled with mai ated, details come into play. and supports it. For example is just one detail that supports		
	2. What is one difference between tigers and lions?		Read the pas	ssage again and fill in the out		
	a. Lions are much bigger. b. Tigers are not social animals. c. Tigers do not eat meat.		Topic lie	ons and tigers		
	<ul><li>3. Which is true?</li><li>a. Lions and tigers are cats.</li><li>b. Lions and tigers are social animals.</li><li>c. Female lions have manes.</li></ul>		Detail 1	tigers.		
	<ul><li>4. What do tigers and lions have in common?</li><li>a. They are both social animals.</li><li>b. They are both apex predators.</li><li>c. They both live in large prides.</li></ul>		Detail 2			
	<ul><li>5. Lions are ( apex / not ) predators.</li><li>6. It is only the ( male / female ) lion that hunts for food.</li></ul>		Detail 3	Tigers are orange with beau		
•	Check $T$ for true and $F$ for false.	T F	Detail 4			
	<ol> <li>Tigers and lions are members of the dog family.</li> <li>The lion is the biggest cat in the world.</li> <li>Lions are social animals that live together in large groups.</li> <li>Tigers mainly eat flesh.</li> </ol>		Detail 5			

ain ideas or topic sentences. Once a main A detail gives more information about a e, in our passage above, "Lions are social s how lions and tigers are different.

tline below. Not all details will be used.

some differences between lions and

utiful black stripes.

## Review

## Summary Writing

## Fill in the blanks.

	bigger	food	prides	differences	hunting	social
Lions	and tigers :	share simi	arities, but	they also have s	ome	Of the
two, t	he tiger is	the		cat. Lions are _		animals that
live in	groups ca	lled		Tigers are solita	ary animals.	Male lions have
manes	s. Tigers do	o not have	manes. Ma	ale lions do not h	unt since the	e female lions do
the		Tigers	s, on the o	ther hand, travel	alone, so a	Il tigers hunt for

## Vocabulary Review

## Fill in the blanks.

	hunt	carnivorous	mane	beautiful	social
1.	The T. rex is	perhaps the most f	amous	dinosa	ur.
2.	My brother of person.	does not have many	friends beca	use he is not a	
3.	Using their e	excellent vision, man	y tigers	at nigl	nt.
4.	The man wa	ashed and brushed t	he horse's lo	ng brown	·
5.	Some dange	erous animals are of	ten considere	ed quite	to look at.

## **Grammar Lesson**

## Articles

Articles are words used to help us express whether something is specific or not. There are two types of articles, the indefinite article (a, an) and the definite article (the). A and an are used when referring to something unspecific. The is used when referring to something that is one of-a-kind (the sun) or when referring to something specific (the man in the black shirt). The is also used for something that has already been mentioned (since it is now referring to something specific).

Complete the sentences below using the correct article, or do nothing if no article is required.

- **1.** A man walked into a room. man was tall and had long, blonde hair.
- **2.** I am from the US, and my best friend is from
- 3.
- **4.** Today's newspaper was very interesting. There was people who live without electricity.

## **Critical Thinking**

Read the passage below and answer each question.

Lions and tigers are apex predators, but it has become very clear that they do have an enemy, the human being. Living across Africa and various parts of Asia, these great creatures are finding it harder to live because of changes in their natural environment. The changes come from the building of things like new towns, cities, and roads. This means that space for big cats to live is decreasing every day. As a result, people and big cats often end up living in the same area. People are killed. Tigers and lions are shot and killed. To make things worse, in some places, there is illegal hunting of tigers and lions for their fur.

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moon is nearly 400,000 kilometers from our planet.

article about



- **1.** Should the hunting or killing of lions and tigers be illegal? Why or why not?
- What are some things that can be done to save tigers and lions? How can 2. people be protected?
- Do you think lions and tigers should be captured and kept in zoos? Why or 3. why not?

Memo			

# Unit

## Old You Know?

- **1.** Experts believe we can see up to 10,000,000 different colors.
- 2. In China, red is the color of good luck and is used as a holiday and wedding color.
- 3. Men are more likely to be color-blind than women.
- 4. Most fish cannot see color.

## Vocabulary to Know

appetite increase nature vegetable comfortable bedtime

a desire to eat or drink to make bigger in size, number, strength, etc. the world and the natural things in it a plant whose parts are used for food without stress or tension the time a person usually goes to bed

## Before You Study

- What is your favorite color, and why?
- What colors make people feel happier?
- How does the color green make you feel? Why?
- What color reminds you of Korea, and why?