

Essential Question: How do people meet environmental challenges?

Unit 4 Week 1

Story

Years of Dust: The Story of the Dust Bowl

Genre

Expository Text

Story

"Erica Fernandez: Environmental Activist"

Genre

Biographical Sketch

Story

"The Day the Dam Broke"

Genre

Expository Text

Comprehension Strategy

reread

Comprehension Skill

author's point of view

Vocabulary Strategy

context clues

Writing Traits

organization-sequence

Grammar

pronouns and antecedents

Other Skills

fluency: rate and accuracy

Genre

Expository Text

SPELLING/ PHONICS

Suffixes

-ion

admit
admission
permit
permission
explain
explanation
exclaim
exclamation
include
inclusion
explode
divide
division
decide
decision
omit
omission
collide
collision

Vocabulary

alignment- the state of being aligned or set in a proper position

calamity- a disaster causing great damage, pain, sorrow, or suffering; catastrophe

eclipse- an astronomical event in which one object is obscured or darkened by another

generated- brought about or produced; made

inconvenience- something that causes a lack of comfort or ease; something that causes trouble

periodic- happening at regular intervals of time

prolonged- lengthened in time; extended

tenacity- the characteristic of being stubborn or persistence