

## Unit 2 Week 3

Comprehension Strategy: Summarize

Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and  
Key Details

Genre: Narrative Nonfiction

Vocabulary Strategy: Context Clues

Writing: Explanatory Essay

Writing: Supporting Details

Grammar: Irregular Plural Nouns

Summarize: After reading a passage, identify the most important details, and retell those details in a logical order using their own words.

Main Idea & Key Details: To find the main idea, you must first review the key details, and decide which details are the most important. Then decide what these details have in common. This will help them determine the main idea.

Spelling Words: Three Letter  
Blends (shr, scr, str, spr, spl,  
thr)

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| 1. shredding | 2. shrink       |
| 3. shrugged  | 4. shriek       |
| 5. script    | 6. screech      |
| 7. scrawny   | 8. straighten   |
| 9. stringy   | 10. strand      |
| 11. sprout   | 12. sprang      |
| 13. sprawl   | 14. splashing   |
| 15. splotch  | 16. thrillingly |
| 17. thrift   | 18. throttle    |
| 19. throb    | 20. throughout  |

## Vocabulary Words

- crumbled-broke into small pieces
- droughts-long periods of dry weather
- ecosystem-all living and nonliving  
things in an area
- extinct-no longer exists
- flourished-thrived or grew strongly
- fragile-breaks easily
- imbalance-not in an equal or secure  
position
- ripples-forms small waves