

THEME 6

THINK IT OVER

Week 4: Animals and You

Essential Question:

How can learning about animals help you respect them?

Stories: Butterflies Big and Small, Alligators and Crocodiles, The Monkey and the Crocodile

READING & WRITING

Close Reading of Complex Text:
Cite relevant evidence from text,
Describe compare and contrast,
Reread

Writing: Draw evidence from informational texts, write informative texts, conduct short research on animal's unique abilities, Rewrite a research report

SPELLING

LIST

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1. severe
2. prepared
3. declare
4. later
5. writer
6. cellar
7. trailer
8. author
9. person
10. circus
11. garlic
12. partner
13. restore
14. sister
15. actor

VOCABULARY WORDS

<p>wildlife noun. Wildlife includes wild animals that live naturally in an area.</p>  <p>Like all wildlife, Monarch and Pygmy Blue butterflies should be respected.</p>	<p>endangered past tense verb. Something that is endangered is in danger of becoming extinct.</p> <p>Endangered Species</p>  <p>The Western Pygmy Blue and Monarch butterflies are not endangered, or at risk for becoming extinct now, but biologists are worried.</p>	<p>fascinating adj. Something that is fascinating attracts people's interest.</p>  <p>These fascinating creatures taste leaves with their feet and only see the colors red, yellow, and green.</p>	<p>illegal adj. Something that is illegal is against the law.</p>  <p>To help, they can work to change laws, plant milkweed, and make it illegal to destroy animal habitats.</p>
<p>inhabit verb. To inhabit something means to live in or on something.</p>  <p>Western Pygmy Blue butterflies inhabit southwestern deserts and marshes from California to Texas.</p>	<p>requirement noun. A requirement is something that is necessary.</p>  <p>But the Monarch butterfly has one main food requirement—the milkweed.</p>	<p>respected past tense verb. To be respected means to be shown honor or consideration.</p>  <p>Like all wildlife, Monarch and Pygmy Blue butterflies should be respected.</p>	<p>unaware verb. When people are unaware of something, they do not know or realize something.</p>  <p>Many people walk right by Pygmy Blues, unaware that they are even there.</p>

LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

Conventions: Identify and use adverbs that compare, use context clues to understand the meaning of a word

Phonics/Word Study/Spelling: r-controlled vowel syllables, Latin suffixes

Fluency: Phrasing

Content Knowledge: Identify how in an environment organisms survive well, some less well, and some cannot survive