

**Essential Question:** How can learning about nature be useful?

**Unit 3 Week 2**

**Story**

*Weslandia*

**Genre**

Fantasy

**Story**

"Plants with a Purpose"

**Genre**

Expository Text

**Story**

"Survivaland"

**Genre**

Fantasy

**Comprehension Strategy**

summarize

**Comprehension Skill**

theme

**Vocabulary Strategy**

context clues

**Writing Traits**

word choice-connotation and denotation

**Grammar**

verb tenses

**Other Skills**

fluency: expression and phrasing

**Genre**

Fantasy

**SPELLING/  
PHONICS**

open  
syllables

video  
poet  
riot  
piano  
diary  
radio  
ideas  
ruin  
diet  
patriot  
fluid  
rodeo  
cruel  
genuine  
casual  
trial  
fuel  
meteor  
diameter  
meander

**Vocabulary**

**civilization**- a society in which agriculture, trade, government, art, and science are highly developed

**complex**- hard to understand or do

**cultivate**- to plant and help grow; to improve or develop

**devise**- to think out; invent; plan

**fashioned**- gave form to; made; shaped

**resourceful**- skilled in dealing with new or difficult situations

**shortage**- too small an amount or supply; lack

**tormentors**- people or things that cause someone discomfort or pain