

Wonders

unit 5, week 5

"Build It!"

This week's Essential Question: How do things get built?

This week's vocabulary words:

contented, intend, marvelous, project,
structure, balance, section

Sight Words

above

build

fall

knew

money

toward

Spelling Words

toy

joy

boy

coin

join

spoil

*comprehension skill: make connections between causes and effects to help understand what happens and why it happens

*comprehension strategy: good readers can ask themselves questions about the text as they read to help understand the information



Building Bridges

People build bridges to get from one point to another. Bridges go across water or land. They can be miles long or only a few feet. Let's look at some of the world's most interesting bridges! The Sunshine Skyway Bridge in Florida stretches for four miles. This is a cable-stayed bridge. Sturdy wires help this bridge stay up. The wires are joined at tall towers so they don't fall. An arch bridge is like an upside-down U. This bridge has two big arches for boats to go through. The arches are the same size which helps balance the bridge. This bridge in Italy is made of brick, so it is really sturdy. The Firth of Forth Bridge in Scotland is a truss bridge. It is built above a river. Do you see the triangles? The roadway needs to be supported. The triangle tubes support it. The triangles join each section of the bridge. Cars pay a toll, or money, to cross the Golden Gate Bridge in California. This suspension bridge has cables. The cables are supported by towers. Why is the bridge painted a bright color? The builders knew it must stand out in the fog. So they avoided colors like gray and painted it joyful orange. Some bridges are one-of-a-kind. Rolling Bridge is in London, England. What happens when a boat comes toward the bridge? The bridge rises up and curls into a circle. Then the boat can pass. There are many kinds of bridges. What kind of bridge can you think up?

FAST & FLUENT

- 1 Do not spoil the day.
- 2 That is a lucky coin.
- 3 Please join us for lunch.
- 4 He brought us great joy.
- 5 Did you get a new toy?
- 6 Is the baby a girl or boy?
- 7 I live in a small town.
- 8 The mouse has big ears.
- 9 We will build our house.
- 10 Do not fall down the stairs.

SPELLING WORDS

spoil
coin
join
joy
toy
boy
town
mouse
build
fall

	1st try	2nd try	3rd try
Mon.	:	:	:
Tues.	:	:	:
Wed.	:	:	:
Thur.	:	:	:

