“A Handful of Dirt”

**VOCABULARY**

1. brook – a creek or stream
2. crevices – a crack in the Earth
3. debris – the scattered remains of something, usually broken or discarded
4. decay – the slow, natural breaking down of plant and animal matter
5. dusk – to become dark at night when the sun sets
6. ravenous – very hungry, often characterized by an impatient need for food
7. routinely – as a matter of regular occurrence; usually
8. ruthless – without pity or mercy
9. solar – caused by the sun
10. touch – to leave a mark or impression on

**READING SKILL**

\*Cause and Effect

**GRAMMAR SKILL**

\*RACE Writing

**SPELLING: Unit 2 Review**

1. abbreviation
2. artificial
3. attendant
4. consensus
5. disability
6. energetic
7. exception
8. geologist
9. historical
10. persistent
11. perspective
12. photographic
13. professional
14. self-respect
15. sensational
16. similarity
17. spectator
18. terrain
19. territorial
20. year-round

**CHALLENGE WORDS**: centennial, photon, simultaneous