



TORO PARENT NEWSLETTER

ENGLISH UNIT 2



Dear Parents: Support your student with what they should know and be able to do in middle school as they get closer to attending high school. Encourage your student to work on the following skills and vocabulary as they prepare to take the **Unit 2 Benchmark** the week of **Nov. 4-8, 2024**.

7th Grade Learning Objectives

I will be able to...

- infer information and cite evidence from the text to support my thinking.
- determine the central idea and explain its development throughout the text.
- write an objective summary of the text.
- determine the meaning of words and phrases in a text.
- introduce a claim and support it with trustworthy evidence.
- write formally when writing an argument.

8th Grade Learning Objectives

I will be able to...

- find the best evidence from the text to support the inferences that I make.
- summarize a text in my own words.
- identify the central idea of a text and explain how each part of the text supports the central idea.
- break down an argument into its parts (like claims, reasons, and evidence).
- use transitions to show how the parts of an argument relate to each other.
- recognize when an author uses irrelevant evidence.
- interpret figurative language and tone.

7TH GRADE VOCABULARY

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| 1. kindred | 8. lore |
| 2. emblematic | 9. illuminated |
| 3. exuberantly | 10. originated |
| 4. biodegrade | 11. respite |
| 5. fault | 12. monologue |
| 6. renowned | 13. household |
| 7. formidable | name |

8TH GRADE VOCABULARY

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| 1. primitive | 8. mesmerize |
| 2. deforestation | 9. fatigue |
| 3. misconception | 10. prone |
| 4. emit | 11. deteriorate |
| 5. vent (a room) | 12. unprecedented |
| 6. domesticate | 13. eradicate |
| 7. associate | 14. editorial |

Students can go on Clever to practice their reading, writing, listening, & speaking skills.

My Path Reading for fluency, comprehension, grammar, text analysis, & vocabulary.



Summit K12 for English language skill practice and preparation for the ELPAC.

