Lesson 5 Skills at a Glance

Phonics

OBJECTIVE

Phonological Awareness & Phonics

Review Vowel Sounds and Spellings: oo

Academic Vocabulary

OBJECTIVE

Vocabulary

Acquire and Use Academic Vocabulary

Reading Strategy

OBJECTIVE Reading Strategy

Ask Questions

Think and Respond

Reread and Compare

OBJECTIVES

Literary Analysis

Analyze Genre: Science Article

Leaning Strategy

Use Graphic Organizers: Cause-and-Effect Diagram

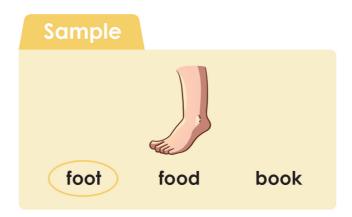
Writing

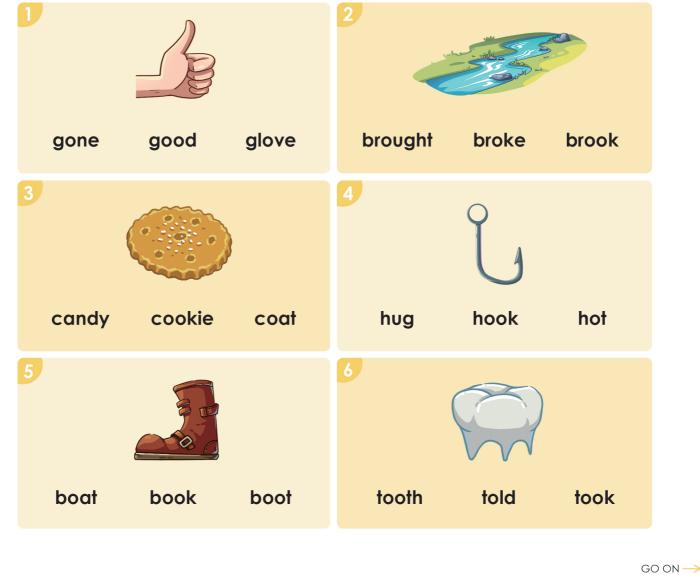
Write Your Thoughts About Wolves

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Lesson 5 Phonics

Read each word. **Circle** the word that names the picture.





Lesson 5 Academic Vocabulary





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What Makes an Ecosystem?

by Rico Borelli

An ecosystem is made up of living and nonliving things. Each thing interacts with everything else in the system. An ecosystem needs <a>1<a>1<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>1<a>2<a>2<a>1<a>1<a>2<a>1<a>2<a>1<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>2<a>3<a>2<a>3<a>2<a>3<a>3<a>4<a>2<a>3<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>3<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a>4<a

Plants take nutrients from the soil. Plant-eaters eat the plants. Predators eat the plant-eaters. This food chain keeps the ecosystem in balance. That means there is never too much or too little of any one thing.

Prey and predators eat to stay alive. So there is always

for food in an ecosystem. Sometimes one kind of animal eats too many of another kind. This will have a

effect. It throws the system out of balance.

There are many different ecosystems in <u>5</u>. Some are large, like forests and deserts. Others are as small as a crack in a tree. But every one of them is part of the largest ecosystem of all: planet Earth.

Word Bank
competition
nature
positive
negative
resources

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Lesson 5 Reading

Complete the Cause-and-Effect Diagram for When the Wolves Returned.

Cause-and-Effect Diagram **Effect** Cause Park officials got rid of the The number of elk became the The number of pronghorns main predators in the park. in the park _____. The bird that nested in the The elk ate and and shrubs became _____. Fewer trees were available The beavers almost for beavers to from the park. and _____. were brought back to the park. is returning again.

Lesson 5 Writing

In folk tales and other stories, wolves are often negative characters. **Write two sentences** to express your thoughts. Use at least one word from the **Word Bank**.



Word Bank		
drought	competition	
ecosystem	nature	
food chain	negative	
level	positive	
river	resources	

Sample

Wolves are often negative characters because they are predators.

I think/do not think this is fair because all animals need to eat in nature.

Your Turn

Wolves are often negative characters because

I think/do not think this is fair because

