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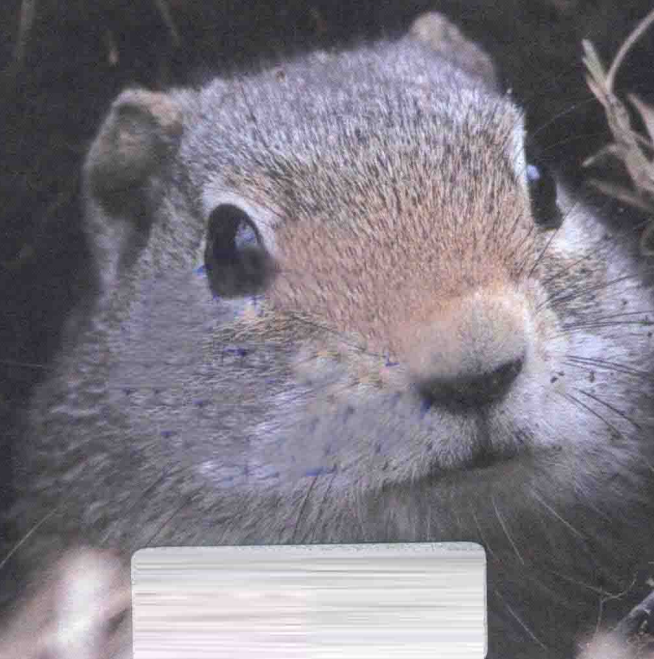


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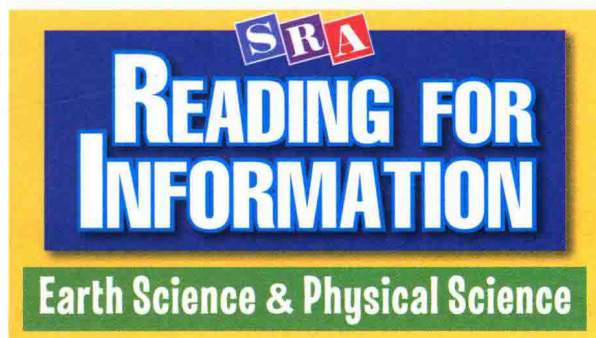


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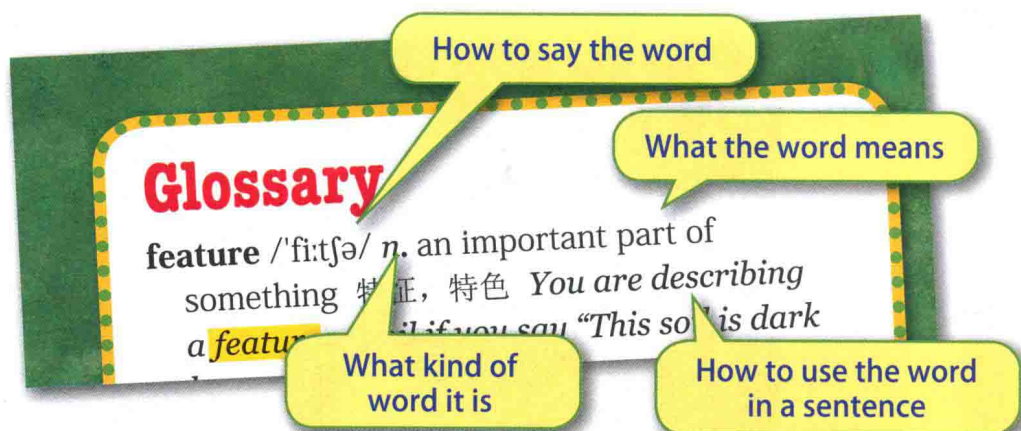


Before You Read

Do these things to help you learn as you read.

Features **Glossary**

Look at the vocabulary words in the Glossary on page 16. The glossary tells you about each word.



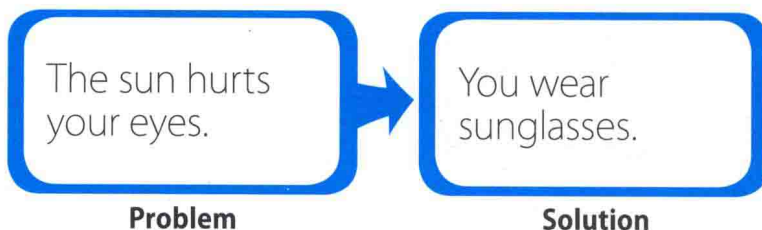
Glossary

feature /'fi:tʃə/ *n.* an important part of something 特征, 特色 *You are describing a feature.* *If you say "This soil is dark..."*

- How to say the word
- What the word means
- What kind of word it is
- How to use the word in a sentence

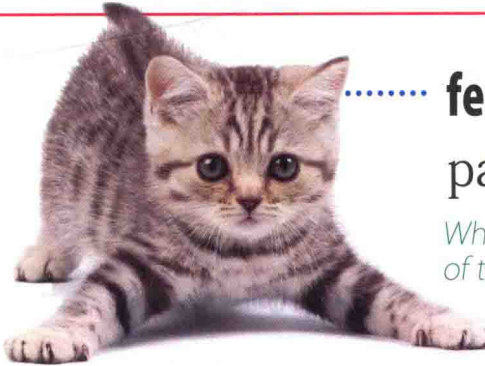
Structures **Problem and Solution**

As you read, look for a problem. Then look for a solution to the problem.





Vocabulary Words to Know



..... **feature** an important part of something

What is one feature of this cat's face?

..... **sediment** small pieces of rock broken apart over time by rain, ice, and wind



..... **soil** tiny bits of broken rock and decayed plant and animal matter

Mina's Special Garden

*Have you ever planted a garden?
In this story, Mina plants her own
special garden.*



The Birthday Surprise

It was Mina's birthday. Her parents gave her some daisies to plant.

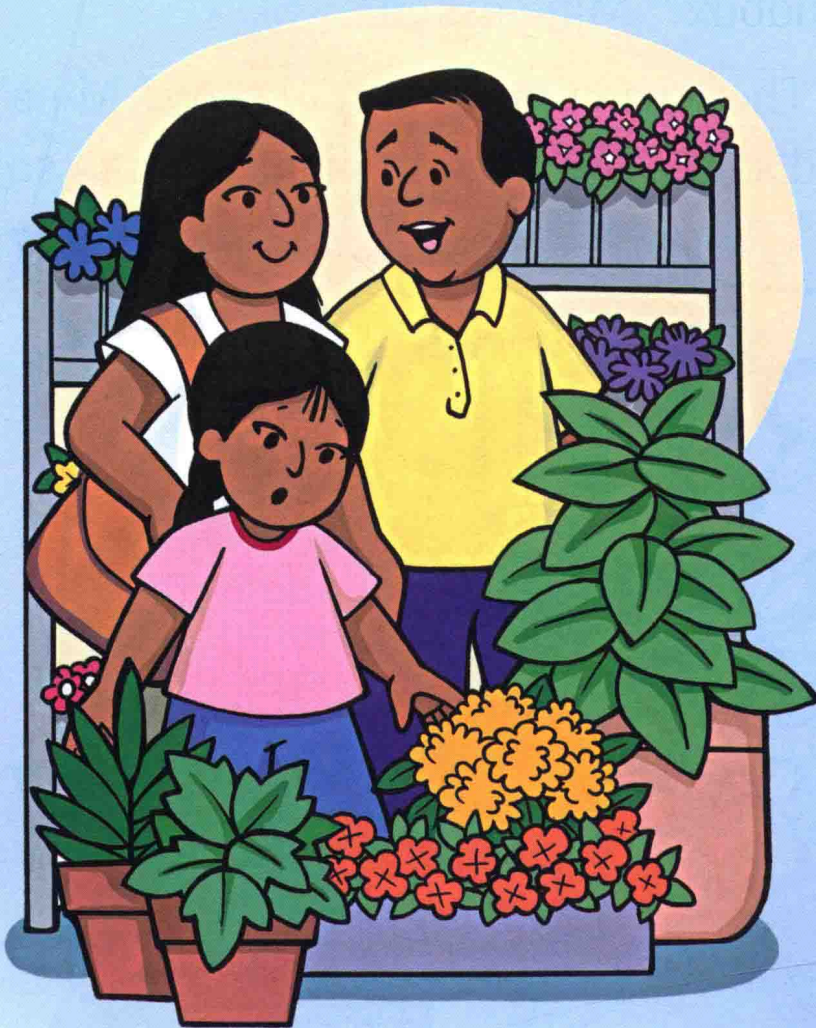
"Wow! Can I plant the flowers in my sandbox?" Mina asked.

"They won't grow well in sand," Mina's dad said. "You need to plant them in **soil**."



A Trip to the Garden Store

Mina and her family went to a garden store to get some soil. They needed soil with the right **features**.



The Right Soil

The man at the store helped. He told Mina that she needed rich, dark soil.

“That kind of soil has a mix of different **sediments**,” he said. “It also has decayed plant and animal matter in it.”

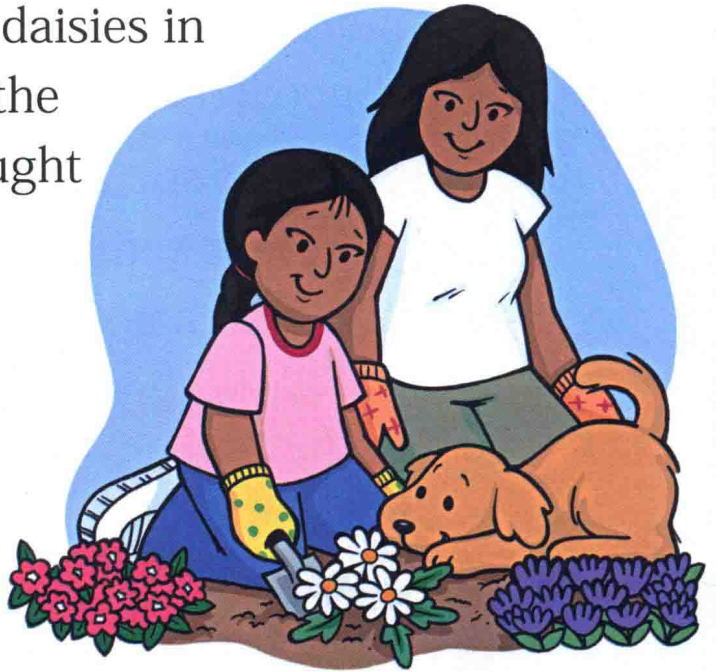
✓ **Comprehension**
What kind of soil does Mina need?



Planting the Daisies

Mina planted the daisies in her yard. She used the soil her parents bought at the store.

“You will need to water the daisies when the soil feels dry,” Mina’s mom told her.



Mina and Max Are Happy!

Mina's daisies grew well in the soil. "Aren't my daisies pretty, Max?" Mina asked.

Max wagged his tail. Mina rubbed Max's ears.



All about Soil

What Is Soil?

Soil has tiny bits of broken rock in it. It has decayed plant and animal matter in it too. Soil helps plants grow.

These vegetables
are growing in soil.

