

Unit 3 Vocabulary Review

The Gardener

bulbs- (noun) a round, underground part from which certain plants grow;
onions and tulips grow from bulbs

sprouting- (verb) to produce new leaves, shoots, or buds; begin to grow

blooming- (verb) to have flowers; open into flowers; blossom

recognizing- (verb) to identify

beauty- (noun) the quality that pleases both the mind and the senses in art
or nature

humor- (noun) the ability to see or show the funny or amusing side of
things

showers- (noun) rains that last only a short time

doze- (verb) to sleep lightly; be half asleep

Pushing Up the Sky

overhead- (adverb) over the head; on high; above

poked- (verb) to push with force against someone or something; jab

imagined- (verb) to make a picture or idea of something in your mind

narrator- (noun) the person who tells the story or tale

antlers- (noun) a bony, branching growth on the head of a male deer, elk,
or moose; grown in pairs and are shed once a year

languages- (noun) human speech; spoken or written

Night Letters

blade- (noun) a leaf of grass

flutter- (verb) to flap the wings

fireflies- (noun) a small insect that gives off flashes of light when it flies
at night; lightning bug

patch- (noun) a small piece of ground that is different from what
surrounds it

dew- (noun) the moisture from the air that collects in small drops on cool
surfaces during the night

budding- (verb) to put forth small swellings on a plant that will grow into
leaves, branches, or flowers

notepad- (noun) a small book of blank or lined sheets of paper in which
you write notes of things that you need to learn or remember

A Symphony of Whales

surrounded- (verb) to shut something in on all sides; encircle; enclose

channel- (noun) a body of water joining two larger bodies of water

bay- (noun) a part of a sea or lake partly surrounded by land

blizzards- (noun) a blinding snowstorm with very strong, cold winds

supplies- (noun) the food and equipment necessary for an army exercise, camping trip, and so on

anxiously- (adverb) uneasily; with fear of what might happen

chipped- (verb) to cut or break off a small thin piece of something

melody- (noun) a pleasing or easily remembered series of musical notes; tune

symphony- (noun) a long, complicated musical composition for an orchestra

Volcanoes: Nature's Incredible Fireworks

beneath- (preposition) in a lower place; below; under

earthquakes- (noun) a violent shaking or shifting motion of the ground, caused by the sudden movement of rock far beneath the Earth's surface

volcanoes- (noun) a cone-shaped hill or mountain built up by lava and ash around an opening in the Earth's crust

fireworks- (noun) firecrackers and other things that make a loud noise or go up high in the air and burst in a shower of stars and sparks

force- (noun) power; strength

trembles- (verb) to move with a quick shaking motion

chimney- (noun) a tall, hollow column, usually made of brick, to carry away smoke from a fireplace or furnace

buried- (verb) to cover up; hide