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Unit 7

Cycle Race in France

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Off to France

Genna was going to France.
She was going to the city of Paris
for a cycling race.

Genna wanted to win the race
and get a large gold cup.



Paris, France



Genna was going to France to cycle,
but she did not speak French.

Her brother, Roy asked, "How will you
talk to people in France, Genna?"

Genna saw that Roy had a point.



map of France

"Take me with you to France, Genna.
I can help you.
I had French class so I speak French."

"If I take you to France, Roy, you can talk to people for me.
You can also tote my gear."

Roy saw that to go to France he had to pay the price.

"Well, okay. I will tote your gear."

Genna smiled. "Let's take Ace with us."

"What?!" Roy yelled. "Think twice, Genna.

Ace is a spoiled dog.

He will make noise and be a pain."

"Aw, look at that face, Roy.

How can we leave him at home?"



Ace



bike gear

So Roy packed all the gear.
He got Ace a dog cage for the plane.
Then he lugged the bike gear
to the car.
He put the cage in the car.
He put Ace and lots of dog toys
in the car.

“Genna!” he yelled.
“It is time to leave.
We need to catch the plane.”



Ace on the plane

When they all got on the plane,
Genna smiled.
“Boy, I am going to enjoy this trip!
All I will do is cycle.
You will do the rest.”

Review

| Word List 1 | |
|-------------|---------|
| Green Words | |
| race | point |
| cycle | spoiled |
| enjoy | talk |
| toys | price |
| Red Words | |
| okay | |
| car | |

Word Work

Genna likes to _____ on her bike.

Team Talk Questions

1. Why does Roy want Genna to think twice about taking Ace?
2. What does Roy bring for Ace?

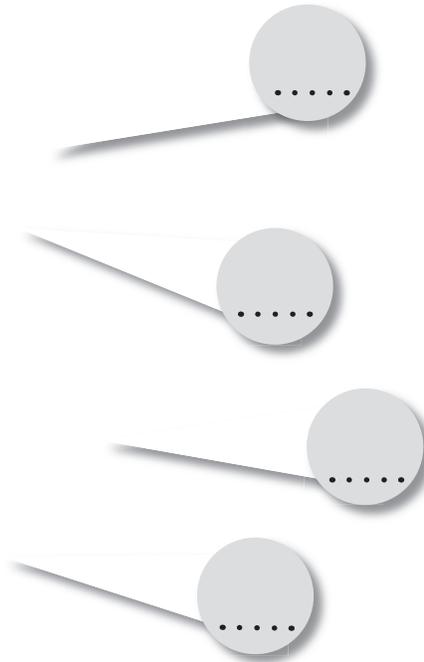
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Day 1 Homework

1

Practice reading the words in Word List 1. Have someone initial in a circle each time you read all the words on the list correctly.

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2

Practice reading "Off to France." Have someone initial in a box each time you read the passage correctly and smoothly.



3

Fill in the blank. Choose the word from Word List 1 that makes the most sense in the sentence. Write it in the blank.

1. What is the _____ I must pay for a meal?
2. I _____ playing on a team.
3. Roy thinks Ace is a _____ dog.

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The City

The plane went across the sea
to France.

Roy and Genna looked down
at the city of Paris.



city of Paris

Genna gasped. "Paris is a huge place!"

"Paris is a gem of a city, Genna.

They fix food the French way.

You will like it."



Genna, Roy, and Ace got a cab to the hotel.

It was a nice place on the Left Bank.

Ace began to make noise.

"I think Ace needs a bite to eat, Roy."

Roy agreed, "I need to eat too."



outside café

They all walked to an outside café.

In France, dogs can eat at outside cafés.

Roy spoke French to the waiter.

He asked him to bring coffee and buns.

“Tell him to get a boiled hot dog
for Ace, Roy.”

Roy was annoyed. “I will not ask
for a boiled hot dog in France.”

“But he likes hot dogs, Roy.

Here, Ace.

Have a bun from Roy’s plate.”



French bun



Ace in French hat

Ace made a small noise.

He licked the bun.

Then he took a huge bite.

Genna smiled. “Ace enjoys
French food.”

Genna, Roy, and Ace walked
to the end of the street.

Roy pointed. "I have seen this
place in photos.

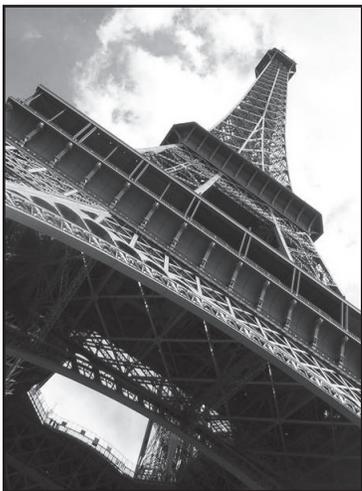
This is a place people always visit
in Paris."



Genna wanted to go up to the top.

"Let's go up there.

We will see all of Paris."



Roy looked up. "Boy, this is tall!

There are a lot of steps to get up."

"I am in training, Roy.

I will run up the steps.

You can walk. But you must tote Ace.

He can not walk up all the steps."

Roy was annoyed.

"Ace, you are a spoiled dog."

Day 2 Classwork

Review

1. annoy
2. foil
3. ahoy
4. coin
5. oil
6. loyal

| Word List 2 | |
|-------------|---------|
| Green Words | |
| huge | walked |
| place | annoyed |
| gem | noise |
| nice | small |
| Red Words | |
| outside | waiter |
| café | |

Word Work

Paris is a _____ city.

Team Talk Questions

1. Which places would you like to visit in Paris?
2. What did Roy have to take up the steps?

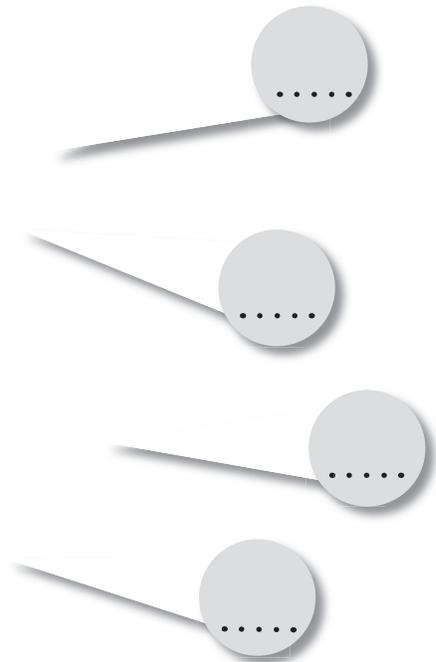
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Day 2 Homework

1

Practice reading the words in Word List 2. Have someone initial in a circle each time you read all the words on lists 1 and 2 correctly.

| Word List 1 | | Word List 2 | |
|-------------|---------|-------------|---------|
| Green Words | | Green Words | |
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| toys | price | nice | small |
| Red Words | | Red Words | |
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2

Practice reading "The City." Have someone initial in a box each time you read the passage correctly and smoothly.



3

Play Quick Erase. Change one letter at a time to make a new word.

face _____

= 3 =
Boat Ride

Genna waited for Roy to join her.
She looked out at the city of Paris.
She spied boats on the river.



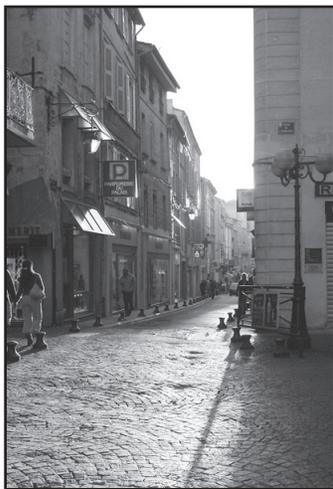
the river

Just then Roy showed up with Ace.

"I think Ace eats too much," he panted.

Genna pointed to the river. "Look. There are boats.

I bet they have boat rides. Let's go."



street in Paris

"We just got here, Genna.

I need to rest."

Genna did not want to wait.

"Don't stall, Roy.

Ace and I want a boat ride."

So the three walked down the steps to the street.

There was a cheese stand.

The nice man gave Ace
a slice of cheese.

Roy asked the man the way
to the river.



cheese stand



French dog

They walked down small streets
with many shops.

Ace met a French dog he liked.

At the river, they got on a boat
with a French flag.

The boat stopped at places
that people wanted to visit.

Roy leaned back in his seat.

“This is a fine way to see the city.

No walking.”



A man on the boat pointed
to a big church.

It was called Notre Dame.

This church was made
in the Middle Ages.

Many people wanted to visit this church.



Notre Dame



The boat stopped at the church.

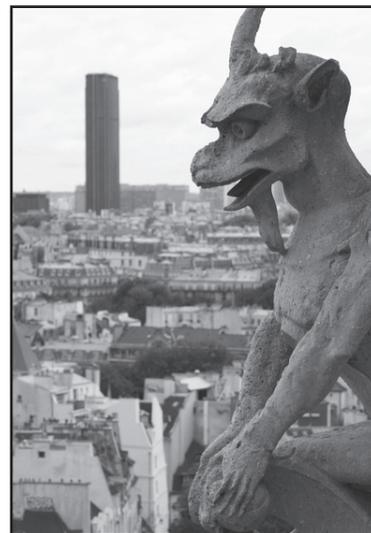
Genna, Roy, and Ace got out
to look at it.

Notre Dame

At the top of the church was
a stone animal.

“What animal is that?” asked Roy.

“I think that is a strange animal.”



stone animal

Review

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| oi | oy | The boy got oil on his hand. Point to the toy you want. I enjoy putting seeds in the soil. |
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Word List 3

Green Words

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|-------|---------|
| join | strange |
| spied | church |
| slice | stall |
| ages | called |

Red Words

| | |
|--------|------|
| middle | food |
| start | |

Word Work

tall _____

Team Talk Questions

1. Why do you think many people wanted to visit the big church?
2. What did Roy see at the top of the church?

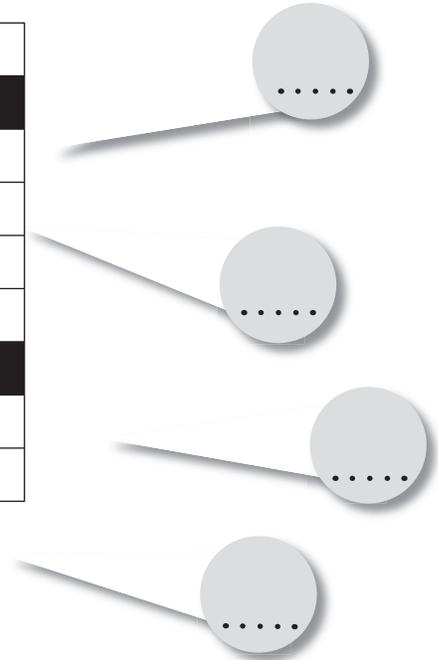
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Day 3 Homework

1

Practice reading the words in Word List 3. Have someone initial in a circle each time you read all the words on lists 1, 2, and 3 correctly.

| Word List 1 | | Word List 2 | | Word List 3 | |
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| Red Words | | Red Words | | Red Words | |
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2

Practice reading "Boat Ride." Have someone initial in a box each time you read the passage correctly and smoothly.



3

Fill in the blank. Choose the word from Word List 3 that makes the most sense in the sentence. Write it in the blank.

1. Roy _____ a strange stone animal.
2. Jim wanted to _____ the band.
3. The boy had a _____ of pie.

= 4 =

The Race

Genna was up before the sun.
She did not wake Ace.
He was fast asleep and dreaming
about French food.



Ace dreaming

Genna put on her bike gear.
She left the hotel and walked down to the river.



This was the day of the big
cycle race.
As the sun came up, Genna was
thinking about what it takes
to win a race.

When Genna got back to the hotel,
Roy and Ace were waiting.
They went to the start place
for the race.
It was by a large stone gate way.



People came from all over
to see the race begin.
They cheered for the
French cyclists.

Genna put her bike in the space
for the USA.
She did some warm-up stretches.
Then she called to Roy,
“Wish me luck.”



Roy waved. “You can do it!”
He made Ace wave.
“We will meet you at the finish line.”

Genna put on her helmet and got on her bike.

She joined the other cyclists at the start line.

A man held up a flag. Then POW!

There was a noise that began the race.

Genna and the other cyclists took off.



The pace was fast.

They flashed past people and past shops.

The cyclists raced along the streets
of Paris.

Genna was in the lead group.

They rode into a large park.

Genna picked up speed.



She got on the outside.

Then she streaked past the other cyclists.

Genna held the top place for miles.

Review

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Word Work

Roy _____ to Genna, "Meet you at the finish line."

Team Talk Questions

1. How would you prepare for a race?
2. What cyclist was in the lead?

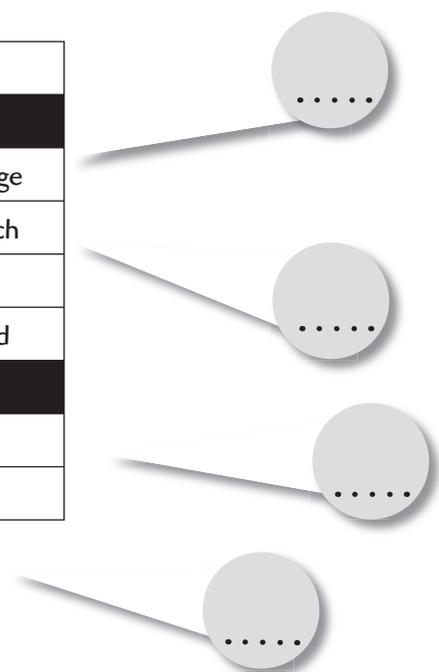
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Day 4 Homework

1

Practice reading the words in Word Lists 1, 2, and 3. Have someone initial in a circle each time you read all the words on lists 1, 2, and 3 correctly.

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| Red Words | | Red Words | | Red Words | |
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2

Practice reading "The Race." Have someone initial in a box each time you read the passage correctly and smoothly.



3

Choose a picture from the reading. Write a sentence about the picture using one or more of the words from your word lists.

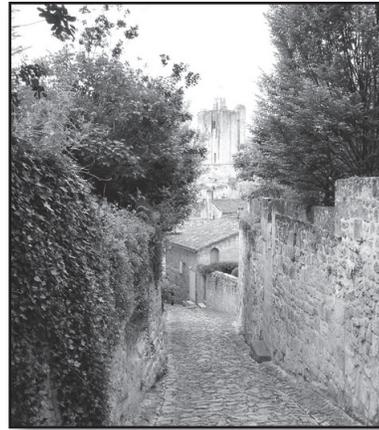
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To Win

The cyclists raced on the streets
of Paris.

They raced away from the center
of the city.

The streets were small.

Genna was still in front.



small street



But then came the next stage
of the race.

Outside the city was a long,
wide road across the flat plain.

On the flat road, other cyclists
picked up speed.

Five cyclists passed Genna,
and she lost the lead.



Genna was annoyed. "Rats! I have to catch up."



back hub

Just then a bad noise came
from Genna's bike.

The noise came from
the back hub.

Genna had to stop by the side of the road.

Other cyclists blasted past her.
She needed to fix the problem fast.

Genna pulled out a tube of oil.
She put oil on the bike chain.
That did the trick!





To get back in the race, Genna put on full speed.

A small voice inside spoke to her.

“You can still win!”

She began to close the gap.

There was a pack of cyclists in front.

Genna saw the lead cyclist take a fall.

Crash! He went down in the mud.

The cyclists behind him had to jump off their bikes.



a fall



It was a mess, but it gave Genna time to catch up.

Genna’s training paid off.

She picked up speed and closed the gap.

Then she made it to the front of the pack.

Genna looked up the road and saw Roy and Ace
at the finish line.

Roy was waving a flag and yelling.

Genna put on the steam.

As she crossed the finish line,
the people cheered.

Ace and Roy came running.



Roy had a big smile. "I am glad we came to France!"

Ace just licked her face.

Day 5 Classwork

| Word List 1 | | Word List 2 | | Word List 3 | |
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Word Work

Choose a picture from the reading and write a sentence about it using a word from the word lists.

Team Talk Questions

1. Why did Genna have to stop by the side of the road?
2. Did Genna win the race by luck or skill?

Dictation

Day 5 Homework

1

Practice spelling the words in Word Lists 1, 2, and 3. Have someone initial in a circle each time you spell all the words on lists 1, 2, and 3 correctly.

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2

Practice reading "To Win." Have someone initial in a box each time you read the passage correctly and smoothly.



3

Choose a picture from the reading. Write a sentence about the picture using two words from your word lists.

Key Cards



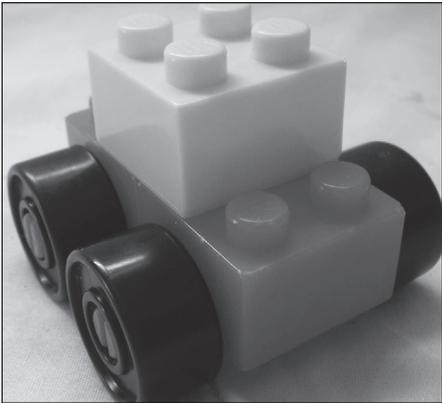
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