

# Theme 4

# Animal Habitats



**Title:** Seal Surfer



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# Genre: Realistic Fiction

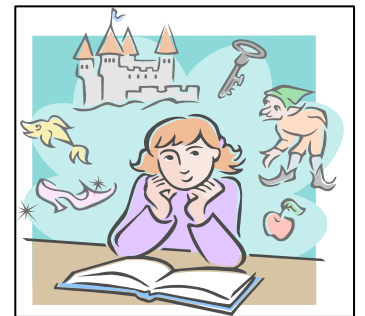
realistic characters and events  
come to life in a fictional plot



## Comprehension Strategy:

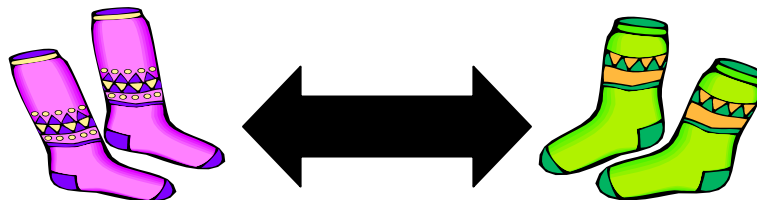
### Summarize:

to tell, in your own words,  
what happened in a story



## Comprehension Skill:

### Compare and Contrast



# Comprehension Skill Review:

Sequence of Events, Author's  
Viewpoint

## Spelling Focus:

Added Endings

Basic:

cared	babies	chopped
saving	carried	fixing
hurried	joking	grinning
smiled	wrapped	parties

Review:  
**making  
stopped**

Challenge:  
**moving  
libraries**

## Key Vocabulary:

**basked**– rested in pleasant warmth



**buffeted**– struck against powerfully

**horizon**– the line where the sky seems to meet the earth



**quay**- a dock where ships are loaded and unloaded



**surf**- to ride on waves, often on a surfboard



**swell**- a long wave that moves along without breaking



**swooped**- moved with a sudden, sweeping motion

## Other Vocabulary:

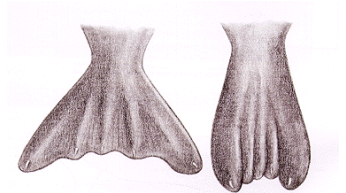
**mussels**- a kind of shellfish  
that can be eaten



**molted**- shed the outer hair or skin

**panic**- to feel sudden fear

**flippers**- wide, flat, paddle-like  
limbs used for swimming



**reflection**- a picture made by a mirror or  
smooth water

**dissolved**- broken up; disappeared

**reformed**- formed over again

**mountainous**- huge; as big as a mountain

**wrenched**- ripped or torn away with great force

**elated**- very happy

**concentration**- focused on; directed his attention toward

**sensation-** something that is felt

**deserted-** empty and seemingly without life



## Vocabulary Skills:

**Dictionary: More Multiple-Meaning Words**

## Grammar Skills:

**Helping Verbs**



## Writing Skills:

**Writing a Poem**

## Listening/Speaking/Viewing:

**View and Evaluate Media**

## Spiral Review:

**Grammar:** Common Nouns; Proper Nouns; Singular and Plural Nouns; Special Plural Nouns

**Dictionary:** Parts of a Dictionary; Pronunciation Key; Guide Words; ABC Order; Definitions