

**Essential Question: What was life like for people in ancient cultures?**

**Unit 2 Week 3**

**Story**

*Roman Diary*

**Genre**

Historical Fiction

**Story**

"The Genius of Roman Aqueducts"

**Genre**

Expository Text

**Story**

"Yaskui's Mighty Trade"

**Genre**

Historical Fiction

**Comprehension Strategy**

make predictions

**Comprehension Skill**

point of view

**Vocabulary Strategy**

connotations and denotations

**Writing Traits**

organization-strong conclusions

**Grammar**

plural nouns

**Other Skills**

fluency: expression

**Genre**

Historical Fiction

**SPELLING/  
PHONICS**

closed  
syllables

factor  
banner  
victim  
mental  
formal  
pantry  
ballot  
prosper  
pumpkin  
muffler  
ragged  
kingdom  
barren  
necklace  
wallet  
ponder  
funnel  
dwelling  
snapshot  
fabric

**Vocabulary**

**alcove**- a small space or room that opens out from a main area

**commerce**- the buying or selling of goods; trade; business

**domestic**- of or pertaining to one's home, country, or family

**exotic**- foreign; strange; unusual

**fluent**- effortless, with smoothness and ease

**stifling**- suffocating, oppressively close

**upheaval**- a strong, sudden, or violent change or disturbance

**utmost**- greatest or highest