FAITH READERS
growing readers into leaders

Name: _____

Fluency

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root therm

Do this Read the passage three times: carefully, smoothly, like talking. Tick a box each time. Read the words over each scoop together.

Heat at the Harbor

1 The port city sat near the equator, where the noon sun could make stone streets shimmer with heat. Merchants learned a method for protecting food, cloth, and workers during the hottest months. They unloaded ships early, stored fruit in shaded rooms, and kept drinking water in thick jars that stayed cool longer than thin ones.

2 The root therm means heat. Thermal winds, thermometers, and thermos bottles all connect to heat. The harbor master did not use the word therm in every order, but the idea shaped his plan. Heat affected work, travel, health, and commerce.

3 One apprentice thought the rules were unnecessary because he could not feel much heat at sunrise. By afternoon, he understood. A basket of fish left in full sun spoiled before it reached the market. A worker who forgot to rest became dizzy. A folded sail grew stiff when it dried too quickly. The method was not a random habit. It came from repeated observation of climate and careful concern for neighbors. Knowing how heat changes materials helped the port serve people well.

Reading Tracker

Read 1: Read it carefully. ☐

Read 2: Read it smoothly. ☐

Read 3: Read it like talking. ☐

Listener: ☐ ☐ ☐

A word I practised:

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