FAITH READERS
growing readers into leaders

Name: _____

Fluency

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root pac





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

A Pact for the Watershed

1 The root pac means peace. Peace is not only the absence of shouting. It is ordered well-being between people. To pacify can mean to calm conflict, though a reader must check whether the calming is just or merely quiet. A pact is an agreement meant to hold peace between groups.

2 Two towns shared one watershed. The upper town cut trees for lumber, and the lower town depended on clear water for gardens and animals. After muddy runoff damaged the lower fields, angry letters traveled between the councils. The problem involved creation care, trade, and liberty. Each town wanted freedom to work, but both towns depended on the same land and water.

3 The final pact named a peaceful process. The upper town would leave tree buffers along steep banks. The lower town would help repair the shared road. Both towns would inspect the creek each spring and publish the findings. The pact did not erase every disagreement, but it gave neighbors a just way to proceed. The root pac helped the class see that peace requires truthful terms, responsible action, and gratitude for shared resources.

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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