FAITH READERS
growing readers into leaders

Name: _____

Fluency

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

Reading the Terrain

1 The root terra means earth or land. Terrain is the shape and surface of the land. A territory is land connected to a people, rule, or responsibility. A terrace is a flat step cut into a hillside for farming, walking, or building. These words help a reader see why land matters in geography.

2 In a mountain region, the governor's map looked neat, but the terrain was difficult. Rivers cut through deep valleys. Winter snow closed the high road. Farms could not spread across steep slopes, so families built terraces and carried soil in baskets. The governor claimed authority over the territory, yet the map alone did not prove he understood it.

3 The class compared the official map with a traveler's journal. The map named borders. The journal named distances, weather, washed-out bridges, and the labor of farmers. Caleb wrote that rightful authority must pay attention to the actual land and the people living on it. Terra words helped him move from a flat picture to a fuller understanding of place, rule, and responsibility.

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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