

## Weekly Vocabulary Words ~ First 9 Weeks

### *First Day Jitters*

1. downstairs- Down the stairs
2. nervous- Afraid or worried
3. fumbled- Done in a clumsy way
4. chuckled- Laughed quietly
5. nonsense- A silly or untrue idea or thought
6. trudged- Walked slowly, with heavy steps
7. tunneled- Dug farther, as if to make a deep hole
8. clammy- Cool, damp, and sticky
9. slumped- Dropped down a little
10. gushed- Suddenly showed excitement

### *Whose Habitat Is It?*

1. neighborhood- Community; small section of town
2. content- Happy with what you are doing; satisfied
3. addressing- Working on a problem
4. resort- To do something because there is no other choice
5. attempting- Trying to do something
6. habitat- The natural home of a plant or animal
7. structures- Things that have been built, such as houses, bridges, or buildings
8. wildlife- Animals that live in natural settings, such as forests
9. endangered- Animals that are in danger of "dying out" (becoming extinct)
10. extinct- Animals or species that no longer exist

### *Dear Juno*

1. crackle- Make a series of small, sharp, snapping noises
2. announced- Told something in a loud or official way
3. persimmons- Orange, smooth-skinned fruit that are sweet when ripe
4. starry- Full of many stars
5. envelope- A flat paper container, often used for sending letters through the mail
6. photograph- A picture made with a camera
7. technology- The use of skills, ideas, and tools to meet people's needs
8. communicate- To share information with others
9. improved- Something that is made better
10. images- Likenesses, such as photographs or drawings

### *Penguin Chick*

1. fierce- Very strong or violent
2. whips- Moves or hits quickly and suddenly
3. echoes- Repeats a sound
4. shuffles- Walking without lifting the feet off the ground
5. huddle- A group of people or animals that is close together
6. junior- The younger or smaller of two
7. down- fine, soft feathers; from a higher place
8. Antarctica- The coldest continent on Earth that is covered by ice and snow
9. continents- The seven lands on Earth where countries are located
10. penguin- A type of bird that has wings and lives in Antarctica, but cannot fly

### *The Perfect Pet*

1. perfect- Without a mistake or fault
2. challenge- Something that calls for work and effort
3. healthy- Well; not sick
4. satisfy- To meet the needs of; to make happy
5. manage- To succeed at doing something
6. scratch- Scrape or cut with nails or claws
7. appetite- Wanting to eat
8. examine- To look at something closely
9. protectively- In a way that keeps from harm
10. nocturnal- Animals that sleep during the day and hunt at night

### *The Strongest One*

1. decorated- Made to look better by adding pretty things
2. symbol- A picture or shape that stands for something else
3. darkened- Made or became darker or blacker, so there is less light
4. gnaws- Bites something hard again and again in order to wear away little by little
5. securing- Attaching or tying something so it doesn't move
6. weakest- The least strong or powerful
7. audience- The people who are watching a performance
8. narrator- Someone who tells an audience what is happening in a play
9. characters- The people who act out parts of a play
10. set- The scenery or background for a play

### *Wolf*

1. offspring- Babies or children of a living creature
2. admire- To respect or think well of
3. concentrate- To pay attention or think carefully about something
4. splendid- Very good or beautiful
5. bothering- Giving someone trouble or annoying them
6. dangerous- Likely to cause harm
7. ached- Felt a dull and steady pain
8. reputation- The opinion that people have about someone or something because of what has happened in the past
9. den- A place where wild animals rest or sleep
10. swashbuckling- Having a love of adventure

### *What's in Store for the Future?*

1. objects- Things that you can see; is against
2. entertainment- Something that interests or amuses people
3. predictions- Attempts at guessing beforehand
4. computers- Electronic machines that store and organize information
5. inventors- People who think up and create something new
6. natural resources- Materials on Earth that are necessary or useful to people
7. pollutes- Harms plant or animal life by making it less clean
8. wastewater- Water that has been used to make or wash items
9. wonders- Something so remarkable or impressive that it causes amazement
10. energy- Power from coal, electricity, or other sources that makes machines work and produces heat

### *The Planets in Our Solar System*

1. Solar System- The sun and all the planets, comets, and satellites that circle it
2. meteoroids- Objects made of bits of rock and metal that sometimes move around the sun
3. farther- At a greater distance than something else
4. satellite- A natural object that moves around a planet
5. dim- Having or giving little light; not bright
6. temperatures- Measures of how hot or cold things are
7. telescope- A tool that makes faraway objects look closer
8. probably- Likely to happen or be true
9. asteroids- One of many small rocks that move around the sun
10. comets- Bright objects in space that have long tails of light and move around the sun