How STORYWORKS ② Aligns with the Science of Reading

The science of reading is often illustrated with Scarborough's Reading Rope.*
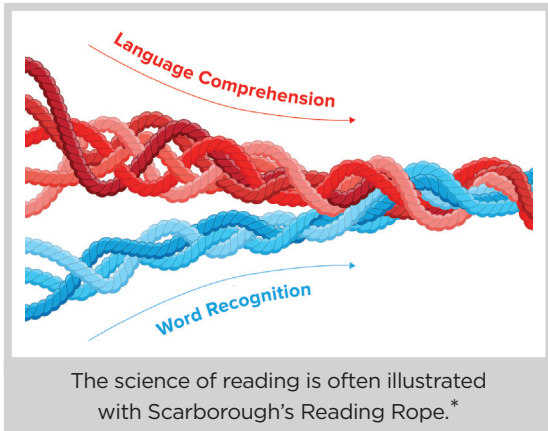
The science of reading is a body of research that explains how proficient readers learn to read. Studies show that to read proficiently, you must combine **background knowledge** and **vocabulary skills** with strong decoding skills.

By using *Storyworks 2* in your class, you're building background knowledge and big vocabularies. Paired with your systematic phonics program, *Storyworks 2* is the perfect way to round out your reading instruction.

With *Storyworks 2*®, educators can:

▶ Build Background Knowledge

- Read and discuss a wide variety of **science**, **social studies**, **history**, or **SEL topics** in each of our six 32-page issues.

- Dig deeper into topics with **multiple articles** on one essential question, helping kids **strengthen and apply** what they've read.

- Watch **inspiring nonfiction videos** that provide facts and information about the topic covered in each issue.

- Give students **background knowledge** before reading a longer text with our monthly Background Builder feature.

- Encourage kids to apply the knowledge they've learned with our **meaningful extension activities**.

▶ Grow Big Vocabularies

- Build **important academic vocabulary** (e.g., observe, compare) and **content area vocabulary** (e.g., carnivorous, compost) with our featured text.

- Preview important words to know before reading with **vocabulary slideshows**, featuring photos, kid-friendly definitions, and read-aloud functionality.

- Reinforce vocabulary through **developmentally appropriate activities** like drawing and using the new words in a sentence.

- Deepen kids' understanding of **shades of meaning** with our monthly synonym feature.

- Spark rich discussions about vocabulary with our **discussion questions**.

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