

# Unit 4: Week 2

**Main Selection:** "HOTTEST COLDEST HIGHEST DEEPEST." **Genre:** Expository Text

**Question of the Week:** What makes nature's record holders unique?

## Spelling

1. third
2. early
3. world
4. certain
5. dirty
6. herself
7. earth
8. word
9. perfect
10. verb
11. nerve
12. worm
13. thirsty
14. workout
15. earn

## Challenge Words

16. determine
17. worthwhile
18. commercial
19. virtual
20. whirlwind

## Vocabulary

**average-** the usual or common

**depth-** the distance from the top to the bottom

**tides-** rise and fall of the ocean's waters about every twelve hours

**outrun-** run faster than someone or something else

**waterfalls-** streams of water that fall from a high place

**deserts-** dry sandy regions without water and trees

**peak-** the pointed top of a mountain or hill

**erupted-** burst out

## Comprehension Skill:

### Graphic Sources

- Graphic Sources are ways of showing information visually, or in a way you can see
- Chart, diagram, maps, and graphs are examples of graphic sources, or features
- Graphic sources can help you predict what the reading will be about

### Important Ideas:

As you read, look for words that help you form pictures in your mind. Forming pictures about what is happening in the story can help you enjoy and remember a story. Forming pictures in your mind can help you monitor and adjust or correct your comprehension as you read.

## Academic Vocabulary:

**r-controlled vowel:** is a vowel followed by the letter r. The r influences the sound of the vowel, which is neither long nor short (bark, girl, term, fur)

**subject pronoun:** a pronoun that is used as a subject of a sentence

**object pronoun:** a pronoun that is used after the action verb or as the object of a preposition

**expository text:** tells about people or events and gives information about things.