

NORTHSTAR 3e Level 1

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Video Activity Worksheet

Unit 4: Special Possessions

The American Diamond Rush

Comprehension

Predict

This video is about people who hunt for diamonds. What other items do some people hunt for?

Study these words. Then watch the video.

adventurous: wanting to travel and do exciting things

dazzling: very impressive and attractive

diamond: a very hard, clear, expensive stone, used in jewelry

field trip: an occasion when students go somewhere to learn about a particular subject

flip (v.): to turn over quickly

flooded (v.): a place is flooded when a large group of people arrive there at the same time

glimpse: a very quick look at someone or something

graveyard shift: a period of working time that begins late at night and continues until the early morning

prospectors: people who look for something, such as gold, silver, or oil

shift (n.): one of the periods during each day and night when workers in a factory, hospital, etc. are at work

split (v.): to tear or break into different parts

worth: if something is worth an amount, it has that value

worthwhile: if something is worthwhile, it is useful or enjoyable



Focus

Watch the video. Choose the correct answer. Circle a, b, or c.

People have found more than _____ diamonds at the Crater of Diamonds State Park this year.

- a. 90
- b. 900
- c. 9,000

Comprehension

Use the words to complete the sentences.

biggest day dirty keep lucky

1. Chad Johnson almost threw away one of the _____ diamonds found at the Crater of Diamonds State Park.
2. Chad works the graveyard shift so he can hunt diamonds by _____.
3. If you find a diamond at the state park, you can _____ it.
4. Many people come to the park to hunt for diamonds, hoping to get _____.
5. Chad says to plan on getting _____ if you're going to hunt for diamonds.

Speaking

What would you do if you found a diamond? Would you keep it or sell it? Explain.

Writing

Write about a special item you would like to hunt for. Give reasons.

