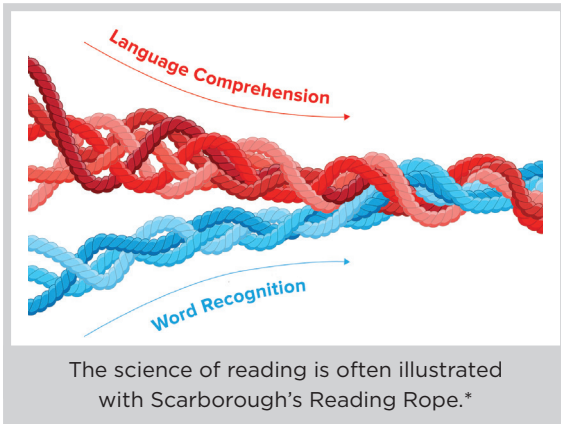


# How **STORYWORKS** Aligns with the Science of Reading



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 language comprehension skills, including **background knowledge** and **vocabulary**, with strong decoding skills.

By using *Storyworks* in your classroom, you're helping students gain important background knowledge and grow robust vocabularies. *Storyworks* provides the perfect ingredients to boost your reading instruction and keep it aligned with the science of reading.

\*The Reading Rope. Adapted from Scarborough, H. S. (2001). Connecting early language and literacy to later reading (dis)abilities: Evidence, theory, and practice. In S. B. Neuman & D. K. Dickinson (Eds.), *Handbook of Early Literacy Research*. (pp. 97-110). New York, NY: Guilford.

With **Storyworks**<sup>®</sup>, students can:

## Build Background Knowledge

- Read about and discuss a wide variety of **social studies, science, and SEL topics** in each of our six 32-page issues.
- View our **Background Builder slideshows** to gain essential knowledge about a topic before reading.
- Watch our **inspiring videos** to learn facts and information and to engage with the exciting subjects covered in our articles.
- Dig deeper into an area of interest with our **special collections of articles**, curated from our rich archives.
- Go on a deep dive related to an article with our **Research Kit** included with every issue—just one of our knowledge-building extension activities.

## Grow Robust Vocabularies

- Learn **key academic and content area vocabulary words** in every major feature; our tools make **explicit instruction** easy for teachers.
- Preview important words to know with our **vocabulary slideshows**, which include visuals, audio pronunciations, and kid-friendly definitions.
- Practice using words in context, examine morphology, and engage in deep discussions about how words work with our **Vocabulary Skill Builders**.
- Get to know **synonyms and antonyms** of words plus **learn idioms** in the Mini Read in every issue.
- Learn **Greek and Latin roots** in our “Root Power!” comic strip.
- Examine **multiple meanings of words** with our fun feature “One Word, 3 Ways.”