4th Grade Study Guide- Lesson 14

“The Life and Times of the Ant”

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**Comprehension Skills and Strategies:**

Text and Graphic Features

Explain Scientific Concepts and Ideas

**Genre:**

Informational Text

**Grammar Skill:**

Participles

**Vocabulary Strategies:**

Suffixes-able, -ible

**Writing Skills:**

**Informative** ***Writing***: Persuasive Essay

***Focus Trait***: Organization

**Spelling Skill**:

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**Spelling Word:** turkey, lonely, colony, steady, hungry, valley, hockey, starry, melody, movie, duty, drowsy, chimney, plenty, daily, alley, fifty, empty, injury, prairie

**Challenge Words:** envy, fiery, mercy, discovery, mystery

**Vocabulary Words**

social- Living together in communities or in groups.

exchanges- A giving of one thing for another.

excess- More than is needed or usual.

reinforce- To make stronger with more material, help or support.

storage- A space or place for storing things.

transport- To carry from one place to another.

chamber-An enclosed space in a machine or in an animal’s living space.

scarce- Not enough to meet a demand.

obstacles-Something that blocks or stands in the way.

transfers- To cause to move from one place to another.