Lesson 1
Ruby the Copycat

pleasant- something that is pleasant is enjoyable and makes you happy.

coincidence- a coincidence is when two things happen that seem to fit together but are not connected.

modeled- if you modeled something, you showed it so that other people could see it.

loyal- someone who is loyal stands by you in good times and bad.

recited- if you recited something, you memorized it and then spoke it aloud.

murmur- when people murmur, they speak so softly that they can hardly be heard.

trudged- if you walked slowly as though your feet were stuck in mud, you trudged.

frustrated- when you try and try to do something and cannot, then you might feel frustrated.

imitated- if you copied what someone did or said, you imitated him or her.

gushed- when you were excited about something and talked a lot about it, you gushed.

Lesson 2
The Day Eddie Met the Author

assembly- an assembly is a group of people who have gathered for a reason.

plenty- if you have plenty of something, you have more than enough.

dismiss- to dismiss is to give permission to leave.

squirmed- if you squirmed in your seat, you kept wriggling around as if you were uncomfortable.

patchwork- patchwork is cloth made by sewing together small pieces of different fabrics.

autographed- if you autographed something, you signed your name on it.

conquer- when you conquer something, such as a problem or a fear, you win against it and overcome it.

resistance- when you feel resistance, you do not want something to happen.

ponder- when you ponder, you take time to think about an idea.

anticipation- when you feel anticipation, you feel excited because something is about to happen.

Lesson 3
Schools Around the World

chore- chores are small jobs that you need to do but may not enjoy.

certain- a certain thing is one particular thing.

resource- resources are materials, money, and other things that can be used.

culture- a culture is made up of a group's customs and traditions.

tutor- a tutor is someone who helps another person with schoolwork.

uniform- uniforms are clothes that all the people in a group wear so they are dressed alike.

proper- something that is proper is the way it is supposed to be, or correct.

boarding- when you are boarding someone, you are giving that person a place to live for a while.

literacy- literacy is the ability to read and write.

diverse- if a group of things is diverse, then the individual things in the group are different from each other.

Lesson 4
Ellen Ochoa Astronaut

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invention- an invention is something completely new that someone has made.

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