

Lesson Vocabulary

Words to Know

Knowing the meanings of these words is important to reading *The Gymnast*. Practice using these words.

Vocabulary Words

bluish somewhat blue; somewhat like the color of the clear sky in daylight

cartwheels sideways handsprings with the legs and arms kept straight

gymnastics a sport in which very difficult exercises are performed

hesitation act of failing to act promptly; doubt; indecision

limelight center of public attention and interest

skidded slipped or slid sideways while moving

somersault to run or jump, turning the heels over the head

throbbing beating rapidly or strongly

wincing drawing back suddenly; flinching slightly

Grammar

Who and Whom

Use **who** as the subject of a sentence.

For example: Who is calling? Use **whom**

as the object of a preposition such as

to, for, or from, or as a direct object. *For*

example: Whom is that from? Whom are

you calling? To check whether you should

write *who* or *whom* in a question, think of

a sentence with *he* or *him* in place of *who*

or *whom*. If *he* is correct, then write *who*.

If it is not correct, write *whom*.

Activity

Boo-Who Play this game with your family. In teams, make up questions that use *who/whom*, such as *Who/Whom does the quarterback pass to?* The other team's job is to decide whether *who* or *whom* is correct in that sentence. Call out "boo-who" if the team answers incorrectly.

Practice Tested Spelling Words

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