## **Selection Vocabulary**

Shot The use of a needle to put medicine into a vein.

Plump Full and round in shape.

Mysteriously In a secret way.

Puzzled Confused, not understanding
Grant Give or allow what is asked for.
Omen A sign of something that is going to h

Chain A Japanese suffix added to the end of a name to show affection.

Lopsided With one side much larger or heavier than the other.

Twinkling Shining.

Mischief Small, irritating acts of behavior, usually by children.

Grin A big smile.

Thread A twisted fiber, such as cotton, wool, and so on. Courage The ability and strength to face difficulties.

Tacks\* Small sharp nails.

Parasols\* Light umbrellas used as protection from the sun

## **Background and Content Vocabulary**

Japan is a nation of islands. It is in the Pacific Ocean near the

east coast of China.

Radiation sickness Radiation is harmful energy waves that come from atom bombs.

People exposed to radiation become very weak and cannot fight

germs.

Setting The time and place of a story.

Novel A story that fills a book.

Historical Fiction A novel based on a true story. The author did not make up the

whole story. The story really happened, but it did not happen

exactly the way the author wrote it.

Cause The reason something happens.

Effect The event that happens.

Quotations What the character in the story says.

Dialogue Characters saying things to each other in a story.

Quotation marks What the character says is in between a set of quote marks.

They look like this "...."

Characterization The way the author creates a character.

Adjectives Words that describe a person, place, thing, or idea.

Possessive noun A noun that shows who has or possesses something.

Singular noun A noun that stands for only one person, place, thing, or idea.

Origami The art of making different figures from paper.

Geometry A type of math in which you study shapes, lines, and angles.

Geometric shapes The shapes the folded paper used in origami make-triangle,

rectangle, etc.

Triangle A three sided shape.

Square A shape with four equal sides.

Diagonal A line connecting opposite corners of a square or rectangle.

Symmetrical The same on both sides.

<sup>\*</sup> Tier 3 Words denoted with an asterisk