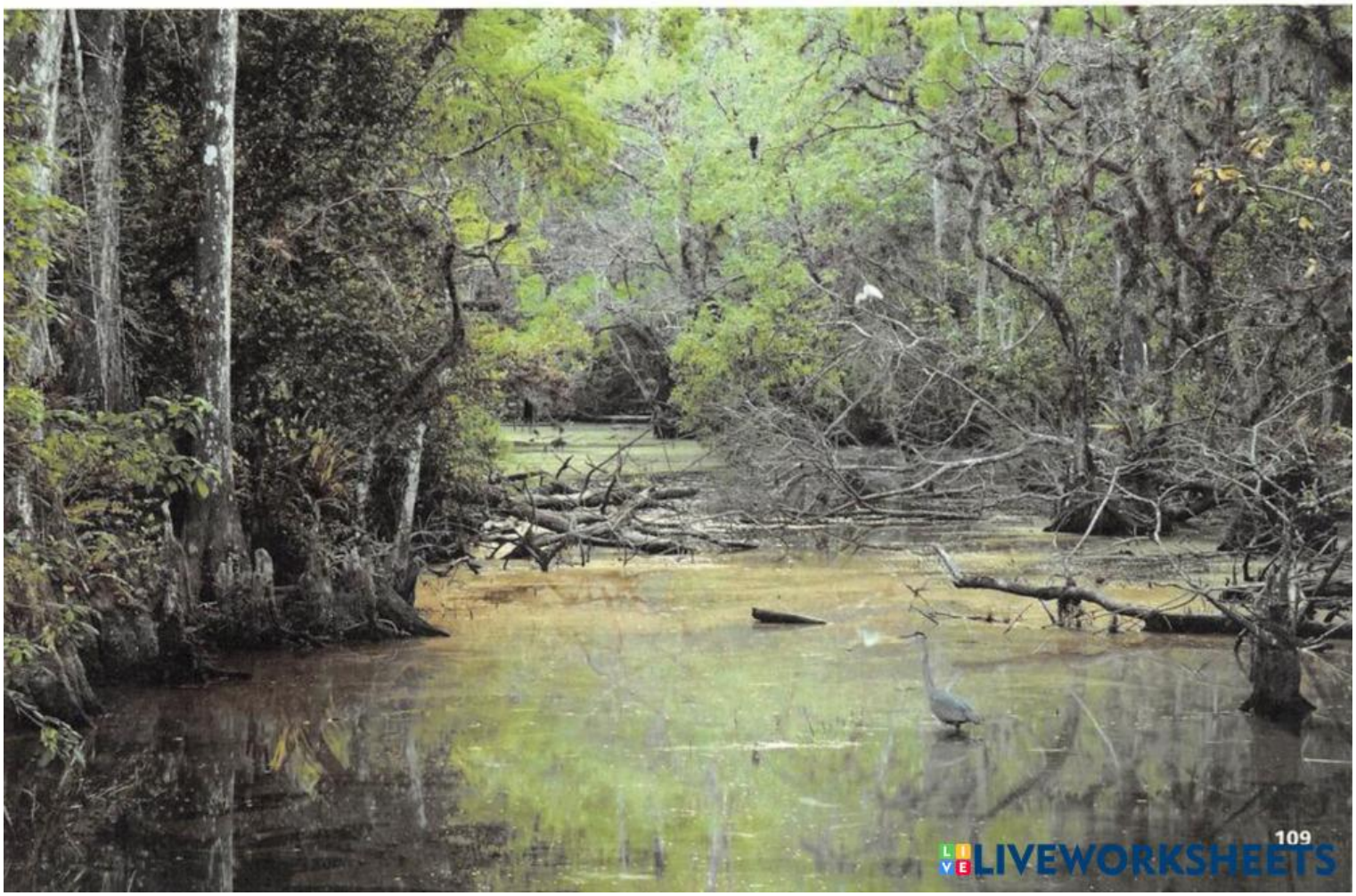
ACTIVITY 11 Guided Peer Editing

A classmate has asked you to proofread her paragraph. She wrote questions in the margin about four things that she is not sure about. Read her paragraph on page 110, answer her questions, and correct the mistakes on her draft. In addition, there are four other mistakes that she could not find. Find these mistakes, too, and correct them on this first draft.



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Example Paragraph 42

The Florida Everglades

The Everglades region consists of a huge area of very wet land that can be found only in southern Florida. Water is **crucial** to this unique environment This area was formed by hundreds of years of flooding from lake Okeechobee after heavy rains. These floods always provided the land with new water to support its wide variety of plants and animals. Unfortunately people and nature are now taking too much water away from the Everglades. For example the Miami, Little and New rivers all **drain** water away from the Everglades. Even worse, man-made **dams** and canals prevents **annual** flooding, without this flooding or other source of fresh water, the everglades will **eventually** die. Only time will tell whether this unique area will be lost to future **generations** forever.

Should I capitalize "lake"?

Do I need a comma after "Unfortunately "?

Do I need to put commas in this list of river names?

Is the verb "prevents" okay with this subject?

crucial: very important, necessary

to drain: to pass or move out water or other liquid

a dam: a structure that holds back water, usually near a river

annual: happening every year

eventually: happening after a long time

a generation: all of the people born in one time period

Building Better Sentences: For further practice with the sentences and paragraphs in this part of the unit, go to Practice 10 on pages 290–291 in Appendix 1.

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ACTIVITY 15 Using Collocations

Fill in each blank with the word on the left that most naturally completes the phrase on the right. If necessary, use a dictionary to check the meaning of words you do not know.

1. scream / steep — a _____ canyon
2. for / to — ought _____
3. in / on — _____ the corner of 41st and Vine Streets
4. pour / seek — to _____ adventure
5. as / for — a large city such _____ Paris
6. about / odd — an _____ tradition
7. of / to — to find evidence _____ a problem
8. glass / tree — a clean _____
9. about / without — to know _____ something
10. a car / a horse — to get off _____

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