## Mardi Gras Almost Didn't Come This Year

## **RIF VOCABULARY SCAFFOLD**

Levee: a wall made to stop a river from flooding



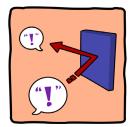
**Squat:** sitting position balanced on your feet with knees bent



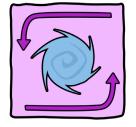
Vanish: to disappear suddenly



Echo: a sound heard again because the sound waves bounced off a surface



Cyclone: a very strong wind that moves in a circle



Zany: unusual in a funny way



Flood: a lot of water that covers an area of land



Decay: to be ruined or destroyed by a natural process



Pivot: to turn on a central point



**Bouquet:** bunch of flowers



Homesick: feeling upset from being a long way from home



