Garden Word Clues

Use word parts to understand garden words.

2.LF.15 "Utilize new academic, content-specific, grade-level vocabulary, making connections to previously learned words and relating new words to background knowledge. a. Make connections to a word's structure using knowledge of phonology..."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the familiar part in seedling and the beginning of replant, then circle the two small words in sunlight to find clues about their meanings.

Maya's Moving Plant

1. Maya put a bean seed in a small cup of soil. She set the cup by a window. Each morning, she touched the soil. When it felt dry, she gave it a little water.

2. Soon a seedling pushed up through the soil. Its two green leaves reached toward the sunlight. Maya turned the cup so the leaves could face the window. The little plant grew taller each day.

3. The cup became too small. Maya gently lifted the plant out with its roots. She made a hole in a larger pot. Then she put the plant in the hole and covered its roots with soil. Maya had to replant it.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which word inside seedling helps you tell what the plant grew from?

2. What two words make sunlight? What do they tell you the leaves reached toward?

3. What does re- in replant tell you Maya did with the plant? Use the cup and pot as clues.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose a word you know about weather or animals that has two smaller words or a word part at its start or end. Write two sentences: name the word and its parts, then tell how the parts help you know its meaning.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the familiar part in seedling and the beginning of replant, then circle the two small words in sunlight to find clues about their meanings. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which word inside seedling helps you tell what the plant grew from?	**Seed. The seedling grew from a seed.**
2	What two words make sunlight? What do they tell you the leaves reached toward?	**Sun and light. The leaves reached toward light from the sun.**
3	What does re- in replant tell you Maya did with the plant? Use the cup and pot as clues.	**She planted it another time, in a larger pot.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Snowfall has the parts snow and fall. It means snow coming down from the sky.

Accept other weather or animal words if the student identifies real word parts and explains how they relate to the word's meaning.