Words in the Garden

Use story clues to connect new words to everyday life.

2.LF.19 "Identify new vocabulary and the use of word meanings in text to establish real-life connections."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline wilt, soaked, and ripe. Circle nearby clues that help you understand each word.

Maya's Class Garden

1. On Monday, Maya checked the class garden. One bean plant began to wilt. Its leaves drooped toward the dirt. Maya touched the dry soil, then poured water around the plant. By lunch, its leaves stood up again.

2. On Tuesday, rain fell hard. The soil was soaked, and little drops of water ran off Maya's fingers when she touched it. She did not add more water. She waited for the sun to dry the ground.

3. On Friday, Maya found a ripe tomato on the vine. It was red and gave a little when she gently pressed it. She picked it for a snack. The green tomatoes stayed on the vine to grow longer.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. If a houseplant begins to wilt, what might its leaves look like? What could you try, as Maya did?

2. After a storm, the soil by your home is soaked. How would it feel? Would you add more water? Use Maya's garden as a clue.

3. You want a ripe tomato for a sandwich. Which tomato from Maya's garden would you choose, and why?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose wilt, soaked, or ripe. Write two sentences about a real-life moment outside Maya's garden. Tell what happened, then use your chosen word to describe it.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline wilt, soaked, and ripe. Circle nearby clues that help you understand each word. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	If a houseplant begins to wilt, what might its leaves look like? What could you try, as Maya did?	**Its leaves might droop. I could check the soil and water it if the soil is dry.**
2	After a storm, the soil by your home is soaked. How would it feel? Would you add more water? Use Maya's garden as a clue.	**It would feel very wet. I would not add more water.**
3	You want a ripe tomato for a sandwich. Which tomato from Maya's garden would you choose, and why?	**I would choose the red tomato because it gave a little when Maya pressed it and was ready to pick.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I left a sponge in a bowl of water while I washed the dishes. The sponge was soaked when I picked it up.

Accept answers that use passage clues to show the meaning of each word. For Your Turn, accept any two-sentence example outside Maya's garden that uses the chosen word correctly.