Words at Low Tide

Use nearby words to understand a tide pool.

2.LF.20 "Use grade-level academic and domain-specific vocabulary to gain meaning from text."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline tide, cling, and predator, then circle the nearby words that help you understand each one.

Life in a Tide Pool

1. At the beach, the tide moves in and out. When the tide goes out, it leaves water in small rocky holes. These pools are called tide pools. Many living things stay in the pools until the water comes back.

2. A sea anemone lives in a tide pool. It can cling to a rock, holding on tightly when waves rush past. Its tentacles, or soft body parts, catch tiny animals in the water. The anemone eats those animals for food.

3. A small crab may hide under a rock for shelter. The rock gives it a safe place to stay. A sea bird is a predator that might eat the crab. The crab hides until the bird goes away.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What does the word tide help you understand about how water gets left in rocky holes?

2. What does cling tell you the sea anemone does when waves rush past?

3. How does knowing what a predator is help you understand why the crab hides?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Imagine a snail in a rainy garden. Write two sentences about what it does, using cling and shelter to help readers picture the scene.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline tide, cling, and predator, then circle the nearby words that help you understand each one. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What does the word tide help you understand about how water gets left in rocky holes?	**The tide moves out and leaves water in the rocky holes.**
2	What does cling tell you the sea anemone does when waves rush past?	**It holds on tightly to a rock.**
3	How does knowing what a predator is help you understand why the crab hides?	**A predator might eat the crab, so the crab hides to stay safe.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A snail can cling to a plant stem when rain falls. It finds shelter under a wide leaf.

Accept answers that use details from the passage to explain each word. For the open task, look for two sentences that use both cling and shelter correctly.