The Bean Rescue

Find the key events, then recount the story.

2.LF.24.b "Recount or summarize key ideas from the text."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the words in each paragraph that tell the most important event. Write 1, 2, and 3 beside your marks to show the order of the story.

Sticks for the Beans

1. On Monday, Mina's class found their bean plants bent over. A strong wind had knocked down the thin sticks that held the plants up. Mina worried the stems might break before the class could pick any beans.

2. Mina asked her friends to help. Jo held each plant gently while Mina pushed a stick deep into the soil. Then Lee tied each stem loosely to a stick with soft string. They worked until every plant stood tall.

3. A week later, small beans hung from the plants. The stems had stayed safe, even when the wind blew again. Mina and her friends picked the beans for a class snack. They felt proud that their plan had worked.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What problem did the class find, and why did Mina worry?

2. How did Mina and her friends help the plants? Tell the important steps.

3. How did the story end? Tell how the class's work helped.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a three-sentence diary entry as Mina. Recount the problem, what you and your friends did, and how things ended. Use I and your own words.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.LF.24.b

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the words in each paragraph that tell the most important event. Write 1, 2, and 3 beside your marks to show the order of the story. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What problem did the class find, and why did Mina worry?	**Wind had knocked down the sticks, leaving the bean plants bent over. Mina worried the stems might break.**
2	How did Mina and her friends help the plants? Tell the important steps.	**Jo held the plants, Mina pushed sticks into the soil, and Lee tied the stems loosely to the sticks.**
3	How did the story end? Tell how the class's work helped.	**The stems stayed safe, and the class picked beans for a snack.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Last week, I found our bean plants bent over after the wind knocked down their sticks. My friends and I held the plants, put sticks in the soil, and tied the stems to the sticks. Today we picked beans because the plants stayed safe.

Accept different wording that accurately recounts the problem, the steps the children took, and the result. The diary entry should have three sentences in Mina's voice.