Worm Word Hunt

Read a garden story and notice how or spells /er/ after w.

2.LF.38.k "Encode words with or after w read /er/."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle or after w in every passage word where those letters make the /er/ sound. Notice this spelling so you can use it in your own writing.

A Worm in the Garden

1. Mia found a worm on the dry path. The sun felt hot, and the worm had no shade. Mia did not want to leave it there. She ran to get her brother, Ben.

2. Ben said, "We can work together." Mia did not worry. She got a leaf, and Ben got a stick. They used the leaf to lift the worm. Then they set it in soft, damp soil.

3. The worm slid under the soil. Ben made a little sign for the garden. He wrote the word WORM on it. Mia put the sign by the spot. Now they knew where to look for worms.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What animal did Mia find on the path? Write its name and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.

2. Complete Ben's sentence: "We can ____ together." Write the missing word and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.

3. What did Mia not do after Ben spoke? Write the passage word and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about a small animal in a place that is not in the passage. Use two different words with or after w making /er/, and underline or in both words.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle or after w in every passage word where those letters make the /er/ sound. Notice this spelling so you can use it in your own writing. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What animal did Mia find on the path? Write its name and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.	**w<u>or</u>m**
2	Complete Ben's sentence: "We can ____ together." Write the missing word and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.	**w<u>or</u>k**
3	What did Mia not do after Ben spoke? Write the passage word and underline the letters that spell /er/ after w.	**w<u>or</u>ry**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

My dog found a w<u>or</u>m by our front steps. I did not w<u>or</u>ry when it crawled into a crack.

Accept any two sentences about a small animal in a new place if they use two different words in which or after w says /er/. Students should underline or in both words.