Sound Chain Steps

Follow a chain by listening for changes in sounds.

2.LF.9.d "Apply phoneme chaining that changes only one sound at a time to show addition, deletion, substitution, and resequencing of sounds from one word to the next."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the bold words in the first two paragraphs and number them 1 to 5 to track the sound chain.

Nia's Recess Game

1. At recess, Nia makes a sound chain for her friend. She says **cat**, then **cap**. She says **clap** next and taps her hands. Each new word is part of a game they can play without paper.
2. Nia says **lap** as she walks one lap around the yard. Then she says **pal** and waves to her friend. The words sound funny together, but she keeps them in order as she walks.
3. Nia's friend draws five little boxes in the dirt, one for each word. Nia points to a box as she says each word again. They listen for a small change before stepping to the next box.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which sound changes from cat to cap? Which sound is added to cap to make clap?

2. Which sound is taken away from clap to make lap?

3. Which two sounds switch places when lap becomes pal?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Make a chain of five real words that are not in Nia's chain. Change one sound, add one sound, take away one sound, then move the same sounds into a new order to make the last word. Write your words in order and tell what you did at each step.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.LF.9.d

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the bold words in the first two paragraphs and number them 1 to 5 to track the sound chain. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which sound changes from cat to cap? Which sound is added to cap to make clap?	**The final /t/ changes to /p/. An /l/ is added after /k/.**
2	Which sound is taken away from clap to make lap?	**The /k/ sound is taken away.**
3	Which two sounds switch places when lap becomes pal?	**The /l/ and /p/ sounds switch places.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

sat, sap, snap, nap, pan. I changed /t/ to /p/, added /n/ after /s/, took away /s/, and switched /n/ and /p/.

Check sounds, not just letters. Accept any five real words that follow the four changes in the requested order, with only one sound changed at each step.