The Kite Changes

Read three versions of the same story.

3.LF.26.b "Compare different versions of the same story."

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1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one detail that is the same in all three versions. Then circle how the kite comes free in each version.

Mia's Red Kite

1. Version 1: Mia's red kite dipped into the apple tree at the edge of the field. Its string caught on a low branch. Mia tugged once, but the kite did not move. Leo found a long broom by the shed. He gently lifted the string over the branch with its handle. The kite floated free. Mia and Leo ran across the field together.

2. Version 2: Mia's red kite dipped into the apple tree at the edge of the field. Its string caught on a high branch. Mia tugged once, but the kite did not move. Leo looked in the shed for a broom, but it was gone. Mia said, "Let's wait for the wind." A strong puff loosened the string. Leo caught the kite, and they ran across the field together.

3. Version 3: Mia's red kite dipped into the apple tree at the edge of the field. Its string caught on a low branch. Mia tugged once, but the kite did not move. Leo suggested getting help. Aunt Jo came from the garden with a long pole. She lifted the string off the branch while Mia held the reel. The kite floated free. Mia and Leo ran across the field together.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What happens to the kite in all three versions, and what do Mia and Leo do after it is free?

2. How does the kite come free in Version 1 compared with Version 2?

3. How does Leo help in Version 2 compared with Version 3?

4. In which two versions does someone lift the string off the branch? Who lifts it in each version?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a new version of the story in four sentences. Include Mia, Leo, the red kite, and the apple tree, but give the kite a new way to come free. Then write one sentence telling how your version is like and unlike one version you read.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline one detail that is the same in all three versions. Then circle how the kite comes free in each version. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What happens to the kite in all three versions, and what do Mia and Leo do after it is free?	**The kite gets caught in the apple tree. After it is free, Mia and Leo run across the field together.**
2	How does the kite come free in Version 1 compared with Version 2?	**In Version 1, Leo lifts the string with a broom handle. In Version 2, the wind loosens the string.**
3	How does Leo help in Version 2 compared with Version 3?	**In Version 2, Leo catches the kite. In Version 3, he suggests getting help.**
4	In which two versions does someone lift the string off the branch? Who lifts it in each version?	**In Version 1, Leo lifts it with a broom handle. In Version 3, Aunt Jo lifts it with a pole.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Mia's red kite dipped into the apple tree and caught on a low branch. Leo held the reel while Mia reached up. She carefully untwisted the string from a twig, and the kite came loose. They ran across the field together. Like Version 2, my story ends with them running, but Mia frees the kite by hand instead of waiting for the wind.

For the marking job, accept any detail that appears in all three versions, along with each version's way of freeing the kite. For Your Turn, accept a plausible new way to free the kite and an accurate similarity and difference.