Post With Purpose

Edit a digital announcement for its audience and occasion.

8.DL.13 "Create and edit digital products that are appropriate in subject, occasion, audience, point of view, purpose, and tone."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB In the revised post, underline two clues that show who the message is for. Circle two words or phrases that give it a respectful tone.

A Book Swap Post

1. At Willow Creek Middle School, the library is holding a book swap on Friday after classes. Students may bring one book they have finished and choose another to take home. No one needs to bring a book to participate; the library has extra donated copies. Maya, a student library helper, is making a post for the school's family portal. She wants caregivers to know when the swap happens and to talk with their students about joining. The post will appear on Wednesday, two days before the event.

2. Maya's first draft says, "Hey, book hoarders! Dump your old stuff in the library ASAP. You know you want free books." She reads it as if she were a caregiver checking the portal between errands. "ASAP" gives no useful date, and "dump" makes books sound like trash. The joke might amuse a friend, but it could sound rude to families she has never met. She decides to keep the friendly energy while replacing vague slang with clear details and a respectful request.

3. Her revised post reads, "Hello, families! Our school library will host a book swap on Friday after classes. Your student may bring a book they have finished and choose another to take home. Students are welcome even if they do not bring a book, since the library has extra copies. Please ask your student if they would like to join us. Thank you for supporting our library!" Maya posts it on Wednesday. The message now sounds like a student helper speaking to caregivers, not a friend texting classmates.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Who is the revised post for? Give one phrase from the post that shows this.

2. Which detail in the revised post helps readers plan for the occasion more than "ASAP" does?

3. Which words in the revised post show that Maya is speaking as a student library helper? Explain your choice.

4. Why does "Please ask your student" fit this post's purpose better than "You know you want free books"?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a four-sentence digital invitation to classmates from a chess club member. Invite them to an open house on Tuesday during lunch in room 204, make clear that beginners are welcome, and use a friendly, respectful tone.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

In the revised post, underline two clues that show who the message is for. Circle two words or phrases that give it a respectful tone. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Who is the revised post for? Give one phrase from the post that shows this.	**It is for families or caregivers. "Hello, families!" or "Your student" shows the intended audience.**
2	Which detail in the revised post helps readers plan for the occasion more than "ASAP" does?	**It says the book swap is on Friday after classes.**
3	Which words in the revised post show that Maya is speaking as a student library helper? Explain your choice.	**"Our school library" or "join us" places Maya with the school group hosting the swap.**
4	Why does "Please ask your student" fit this post's purpose better than "You know you want free books"?	**It respectfully gives caregivers an action they can take to help students join the swap, rather than assuming what readers want.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Hi, classmates! The chess club is hosting an open house on Tuesday during lunch in room 204. You do not need to know how to play; club members can explain the basics. Stop by to watch or try a game and see whether you would like to join us!

Accept equivalent evidence from the revised post for questions 1 and 3. For the open task, look for four sentences that address classmates, include all event details, welcome beginners, and sound like a club member inviting peers.