Fair Day Choices

How a shortage changes what sellers offer and buyers choose

SS24.2.5 "Explain how scarcity influences supply and demand."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline why Ms. Lee made less lemonade, circle what children bought instead, and write 1 by Ms. Lee's change in supply and 2 by the water seller's change in supply.

The Lemonade Stand

1. Supply is how much of something sellers have to sell. Demand is how much people want to buy. When there is not enough of something for everyone who wants it, that thing is scarce.

2. At the school fair, Ms. Lee plans to sell lemonade. A truck brings only a few lemons. She makes ten cups instead of twenty. Soon, a long line of children forms at her table.

3. Some children cannot buy lemonade because the cups run out. They buy cold water instead. The water seller sees the line grow and brings out more bottles to sell. Now more children can buy water.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. How did the few lemons change Ms. Lee's supply of lemonade?

2. How did the shortage of lemonade change what some children chose to buy?

3. When more children wanted water, how did the water seller change the supply?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Imagine your class sells apple slices at a fair, but only a few apples arrive. In two sentences, explain how this changes the supply of apple slices and the demand for another snack.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline why Ms. Lee made less lemonade, circle what children bought instead, and write 1 by Ms. Lee's change in supply and 2 by the water seller's change in supply. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How did the few lemons change Ms. Lee's supply of lemonade?	**She made ten cups instead of twenty, so she had less lemonade to sell.**
2	How did the shortage of lemonade change what some children chose to buy?	**When the lemonade ran out, some children bought cold water instead.**
3	When more children wanted water, how did the water seller change the supply?	**The water seller brought out more bottles to sell.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

With only a few apples, our class has fewer apple slices to sell. When the apple slices run out, more buyers want the crackers sold at another table.

Accept any reasonable alternate snack. The response should explain that fewer apples mean fewer apple slices to sell and that demand for another snack increases.