Clue Detective

Reread nearby words to check a word.

CCSS.ELA-Literacy.RF.2.4c "Use context to confirm or self-correct word recognition and understanding, rereading as necessary."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle one word you are not sure about. Reread the sentence, then underline the words that help you figure out the word.

Maya at Low Tide

1. At low tide, Maya walked along the rocky shore with her uncle. In a shallow pool, she bent low and peered at a small crab. The crab stayed still beside a dark stone while tiny waves tapped the pool's edge.
2. Maya read a sign once, then stopped. The last word began with Clammi-. Her uncle pointed to people with small buckets, digging in wet sand. Maya read the sign again and understood why they were there.
3. Near a tall rock, a gull swooped down and snatched a crab from the sand. Another crab vanished under a flat shell. Maya whispered, “It found shelter.” She reread the line and nodded as the gull flew away.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Reread the first paragraph. What does peered most likely mean? Which words help you decide?

2. Reread the second paragraph. What word most likely completes Clammi-? What clues help you check the word?

3. Reread the last paragraph. What does shelter most likely mean? What happened that helped you decide?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about an animal. Use one word a reader may need to figure out, and add clues in the other sentence that show what the word means.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · RF.2.4c

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle one word you are not sure about. Reread the sentence, then underline the words that help you figure out the word. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Reread the first paragraph. What does peered most likely mean? Which words help you decide?	**Peered means looked closely. "Bent low" and "at a small crab" are clues.**
2	Reread the second paragraph. What word most likely completes Clammi-? What clues help you check the word?	**Clamming. The letters "Clammi-" and people digging in wet sand with buckets are clues.**
3	Reread the last paragraph. What does shelter most likely mean? What happened that helped you decide?	**Shelter means a safe hiding place. A gull took a crab, and the other crab went under a shell.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

The rabbit dashed into its burrow when the fox came near. From its safe hole under the ground, it watched the fox go away.

Accept reasonable meanings supported by nearby words and events in the passage. For the open task, accept two connected sentences with an unfamiliar word and clear context clues.