

# Sentence Check

Find sentences that are ready to read.

**ELA.2.C.3.1** "Follow the rules of standard English grammar, punctuation, capitalization, and spelling appropriate to grade level."

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_

## READY TO READ

A ready sentence starts with a capital letter and ends with an ending mark.

Birds build nests.

## NEEDS A FIX

This sentence is missing a capital letter, an ending mark, or both.

zebras nap

## 1 SORT \_\_\_\_\_ 8 items

For Part 1, read each item and circle READY or FIX, then for Part 2, pick two items and explain how you knew.

1. The kite flew high.

READY

FIX

2. My brother can swim.

READY

FIX

3. we saw a fox.

READY

FIX

4. Can you skip?

READY

FIX

5. Where is your hat

READY

FIX

6. the rain stopped

READY

FIX

7. I like apples.

READY

FIX

8. Our class sings.

READY

FIX

## 2 PROVE IT Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_ HOW I KNEW \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

ITEM # \_\_\_\_\_ HOW I KNEW \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

## 3 MAKE YOUR OWN One of each

For Part 3, write one new READY sentence and one new FIX sentence.

READY \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

FIX \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### CHALLENGE

Write a sentence that needs a fix, then rewrite it correctly.

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**PART 1 • SORT**

| # | ITEM                 | CATEGORY     | WHY                                                            |
|---|----------------------|--------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1 | The kite flew high.  | <b>READY</b> | It starts with a capital letter and ends with a period.        |
| 2 | My brother can swim. | <b>READY</b> | It starts with a capital letter and ends with a period.        |
| 3 | we saw a fox.        | <b>FIX</b>   | It needs a capital letter at the beginning.                    |
| 4 | Can you skip?        | <b>READY</b> | It starts with a capital letter and ends with a question mark. |
| 5 | Where is your hat    | <b>FIX</b>   | It needs an ending mark.                                       |
| 6 | the rain stopped     | <b>FIX</b>   | It needs a capital letter and an ending mark.                  |
| 7 | I like apples.       | <b>READY</b> | It starts with a capital letter and ends with a period.        |
| 8 | Our class sings.     | <b>READY</b> | It starts with a capital letter and ends with a period.        |

**PART 2 • PROVE IT**

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

**PART 3 • MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)**

- **READY:** A rabbit hops.
- **FIX:** flowers bloom

**Challenge:** Needs a fix: my baby laughs Correct: My baby laughs.

For Part 2, students should name the capital letter and ending mark, or tell what is missing. Accept student-created examples that fit the stated category.