Monarch Text Match

Compare a story and facts about monarch butterflies.

ELA.2.R.3 "Reading Across Genres"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one idea that both texts share about monarchs. Circle two details found in only one text, one detail from each text.

Two Texts About Monarchs

1. Text 1: Maya watched a monarch butterfly rest on a milkweed leaf. Its orange wings, lined in black, opened and closed. "Are you going far?" she whispered. The butterfly lifted into the bright sky. Maya imagined it flying south when cold weather came.

2. Text 2: Monarch butterflies have orange wings with black lines. In fall, many monarchs fly south to warmer places. This trip is called migration. They do not all travel alone. Large groups may rest together in trees during their long journey.

3. Monarch caterpillars eat milkweed leaves. Adult monarchs drink nectar from flowers. Milkweed gives caterpillars food, and it is a place for female monarchs to lay eggs. People can help monarchs by planting milkweed and nectar flowers.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What detail about a monarch's wings is the same in both texts?

2. How do the texts tell about monarchs going south in different ways?

3. What is one way Text 2 gives more information than Text 1?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Make a two-column chart labeled Text 1 and Text 2. Write two details from each text, then write one sentence telling how the texts are alike.

TEXT 1	TEXT 2

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline one idea that both texts share about monarchs. Circle two details found in only one text, one detail from each text. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What detail about a monarch's wings is the same in both texts?	**Monarchs have orange wings with black lines or markings.**
2	How do the texts tell about monarchs going south in different ways?	**Text 1 shows Maya imagining one monarch flying south when cold weather comes. Text 2 explains that many monarchs migrate south in fall to warmer places.**
3	What is one way Text 2 gives more information than Text 1?	**Text 2 gives facts about monarch food, eggs, migration, or groups resting in trees, while Text 1 does not.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Text 1: Maya watches a monarch on milkweed, and she asks if it is going far. Text 2: Monarchs fly south in fall, and caterpillars eat milkweed. Both texts tell about monarch butterflies.

Accept accurate details from the correct text and any accurate shared idea, such as monarchs having orange and black wings or going south. For the chart, accept different valid details as long as the final sentence states a true similarity.