

Park Word Parts

Use base words and affixes to unlock word meanings.

ELA.2.V.1.2 "Identify and use base words and affixes to determine the meaning of unfamiliar words in grade-level content."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB In the passage, underline the base words in reusable, unplugged, and careless. Circle re-, un-, and -less to show the word parts that help you find each meaning.

A Park Cleanup

- ① On Saturday, Maya's class visited River Park for a cleanup. Each team carried reusable bags, gloves, and a map. Maya's team walked beside the trail, looking for snack wrappers and empty bottles.
- ② At first, Maya felt unsure about picking up litter. Then she saw an unplugged pump beside a small pond. A park worker checked the cord and plugged it in. Soon, water bubbled in the pond again.
- ③ After an hour, the teams brought full bags to the worker. The worker emptied the bags and gave them back to another team. Maya thought a careless visitor had dropped the wrappers, but she was glad the park looked cleaner.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 What does re- help you understand about the word reusable?

2 What does un- tell you about the pump before the worker plugged it in?

3 What is the base word in careless, and what does careless mean?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write one sentence about an outdoor place using a word with re-, un-, or -less. On the next line, name the base word and tell what the whole word means. Underline the base word and circle the affix.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

In the passage, underline the base words in reusable, unplugged, and careless. Circle re-, un-, and -less to show the word parts that help you find each meaning. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What does re- help you understand about the word reusable?	It means the bags can be used again.
2	What does un- tell you about the pump before the worker plugged it in?	The pump was not plugged in.
3	What is the base word in careless, and what does careless mean?	The base word is care. Careless means not careful.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

The rabbit was fearless near the noisy mower. Underlined base word: fear. Circled affix: -less. Fearless means without fear.

Accept answers that correctly use the word part and passage clues to explain each word. For Part 3, accept any accurate word with re-, un-, or -less, an identified base word, and a matching meaning.