

Garden Script Hunt

Use cursive letter forms in a garden notebook model.

ELA.3.C.1.1 "Write in cursive all upper- and lowercase letters."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle every capital letter in the passage. Underline one lowercase letter after each capital letter to notice how both letter forms appear in cursive writing.

Maya's Garden Notes

- ① On Tuesday, Maya carried a small notebook to the school garden. She wanted to record what she saw near the bean trellis. A blue jay landed on the fence, and a bee visited a yellow flower. Maya wrote each observation in cursive, making her capital M tall and her lowercase letters smooth and easy to read.
- ② At the garden gate, Mr. Lopez gave Maya a packet of seeds. The label said basil, radish, and zinnia. Maya copied the plant names into her notebook. She began the sentence with a capital letter, then joined the smaller letters. Her careful writing helped her read the list later during science time on Friday afternoon.
- ③ Before lunch, Maya made a sign for the garden bed. It read, "Please water the basil." She used a capital P at the start and lowercase letters for the rest of the sentence. Then she signed her name at the bottom. The sign gave classmates a clear job and kept the young plants from drying out.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

- 1 Find the word blue in paragraph 1. Write blue in lowercase cursive.

- 2 Find the teacher's name in paragraph 2. Write Mr. Lopez in cursive, using capital letters where needed.

- 3 Find the plant name in paragraph 2 that begins with z. Write it in lowercase cursive.

- 4 Copy the words on Maya's sign in paragraph 3 in cursive.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write the cursive alphabet from A to Z in uppercase and from a to z in lowercase. Then write one original sentence in cursive that begins with a capital letter and has at least five lowercase letters.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle every capital letter in the passage. Underline one lowercase letter after each capital letter to notice how both letter forms appear in cursive writing. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Find the word blue in paragraph 1. Write blue in lowercase cursive.	blue, written in lowercase cursive
2	Find the teacher's name in paragraph 2. Write Mr. Lopez in cursive, using capital letters where needed.	Mr. Lopez, with uppercase M and L in cursive
3	Find the plant name in paragraph 2 that begins with z. Write it in lowercase cursive.	zinnia, written in lowercase cursive
4	Copy the words on Maya's sign in paragraph 3 in cursive.	Please water the basil., with an uppercase P and lowercase letters

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Uppercase cursive A to Z; lowercase cursive a to z; Ducks swim in ponds.

Accept legible cursive forms for all uppercase and lowercase letters, with correct letter case in each passage response. For the original sentence, accept any complete sentence that begins with a capital letter and includes at least five lowercase letters.