Feedback Into Focus

Use specific peer feedback to revise an announcement for real readers.

ELA.9.C.5 "Creating and Collaborating"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each piece of feedback from Ravi or Marisol. In the revised announcement, number each change that responds to feedback, using the same number beside the matching comment.

Planning a Photo Exhibit

1. At the first meeting of the school arts council, Lena shared a draft announcement for a student photo exhibit. "Show us your city," it began. "Send photos to the arts council soon, and we will display the best ones in the main lobby." Lena wanted students to submit images of places that mattered to them. However, the draft did not say who could enter, how to send a file, when submissions were due, or how the council would choose photographs. Before publishing, Lena asked two council members to read the announcement as students who had never attended a meeting.

2. Ravi first praised the inviting opening, then wrote, "Replace 'soon' with a date and give one submission method." Marisol noted that the phrase "the best ones" sounded unfair because it hid the selection process. She suggested explaining that a panel of art teachers and students would select images that fit the theme and could be displayed safely in the lobby. The group also discussed audience. Ninth graders might assume phones were acceptable, while students with cameras might wonder about file size. Lena recorded each comment in a chart, separating ideas about clarity, fairness, and practical details before revising.

3. Lena kept the welcoming theme but replaced vague directions with details that readers could use. Her revised announcement said, "Any student may email one landscape or neighborhood photo to artscouncil@brookfield.edu by October 18. Attach a JPEG no larger than 10 MB, and include your name and photo title. A panel of students and art teachers will select photos that fit the 'Show Us Your City' theme and can be safely displayed in the main lobby." The revision answered Ravi's questions and made the selection process visible, which helped readers decide whether and how to participate.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What two practical details did Ravi ask Lena to add to the announcement?

2. What concern did Marisol raise about the words “the best ones”?

3. Identify one revision that responds to the group’s audience discussion. Explain how it helps a student submit a photo.

4. Which part of Lena’s revised announcement makes the selection process more transparent, and how does it respond to Marisol’s feedback?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose a school event or club. Write a two-sentence announcement, a one-sentence peer comment that asks for clearer information, and a revised two-sentence announcement that uses the comment.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 9 · ELA.9.C.5

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline each piece of feedback from Ravi or Marisol. In the revised announcement, number each change that responds to feedback, using the same number beside the matching comment. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What two practical details did Ravi ask Lena to add to the announcement?	**A submission deadline and one method for submitting a photo.**
2	What concern did Marisol raise about the words "the best ones"?	**The phrase sounded unfair because it did not explain how photographs would be selected.**
3	Identify one revision that responds to the group's audience discussion. Explain how it helps a student submit a photo.	**The JPEG and 10 MB requirements respond to the discussion. They tell students what kind of file to send and how large it may be.**
4	Which part of Lena's revised announcement makes the selection process more transparent, and how does it respond to Marisol's feedback?	**It says that students and art teachers will select photos that fit the theme and can be displayed safely. This explains the selection process instead of vaguely calling entries "the best ones."**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Draft: The Robotics Club will hold a design showcase soon. Bring your projects to the cafeteria so people can see them. Peer comment: Name the date and time, explain who may participate, and tell students how to register. Revised: Any student may register one robot or design project for the Robotics Club showcase by completing the online form by November 3. Bring the project to the cafeteria at 5:30 PM on November 7, and visitors may view the displays from 6:00 to 7:00 PM.

Accept equivalent paraphrases that accurately connect feedback to a specific revision. For the open task, accept varied events and details if the revised announcement clearly uses the peer comment and meets the sentence requirements.