

# Thought Builders

Students join and choose words to make complete thoughts.

**1.L.GC.2** "Syntax: Recognize and compose coherent sentences that express complete thoughts."

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Teacher: this page is run aloud. The script and answers are on the guide page.

## 1 JOIN WORDS

**Birds**

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**swim**

**Fish**

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**cry**

**Babies**

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**fly**

## 2 FINISH IT

a

**sleeps**

**tiny**

**green**

b

**happy**

**jumps**

**red**

c

**loud**

**small**

**play**

**HOW TO RUN THIS PAGE**

Read each part aloud and let students mark the page as you guide them. Students show that a sentence needs words that go together to express a complete thought.

Students never read directions on this sheet. Read each part's script aloud, then each prompt, giving think time before students mark.

**PART 1 • JOIN WORDS**

**SAY** "I will read the words in both columns. For each word on the left, which word on the right can join it to make a complete thought? Draw a line to show each match."

- **Birds** matches **fly**
- **Fish** matches **swim**
- **Babies** matches **cry**

**PART 2 • FINISH IT**

**SAY** "Listen to the words I say for each row. Which choice can join the words you hear to make a complete thought? Circle that word."

| ROW | SAY                                                                                                                                     | STUDENTS CIRCLE |
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| a   | Listen: "The cat." The choices are sleeps, tiny, and green. Which word can join "The cat" to make a complete thought? Circle that word. | <b>sleeps</b>   |
| b   | Listen: "A boy." The choices are happy, jumps, and red. Which word can join "A boy" to make a complete thought? Circle that word.       | <b>jumps</b>    |
| c   | Listen: "We." The choices are loud, small, and play. Which word can join "We" to make a complete thought? Circle that word.             | <b>play</b>     |

**WHAT TO ACCEPT**

For Join Words, accept Birds-fly, Fish-swim, and Babies-cry. For Finish It, the correct circles are sleeps, jumps, and play.