

Beaver Word Hunt

Read an informational text and decode vowel-team words.

2.F.P.2 "Decoding with Phonics: Use grade-level phonics skills to decode words in context and in isolation."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline every word that has the vowel team ee or oa. Read each underlined word aloud to check its sound.

Busy Beavers

- ① Beavers build homes near ponds and streams. A beaver can use its wide teeth to cut small trees. It drags logs and green reeds through the water to make a safe place to sleep.
- ② First, the beaver piles sticks and mud into a dam. The dam can slow the flow of water. Behind it, a deep pond may form. The pond gives the beaver room to swim and hide.
- ③ Beavers also carry food to their homes. They may eat bark, leaves, and roots. In winter, a beaver swims below the ice to reach its food pile. Its thick coat helps it stay warm.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 In paragraph 1, which word has ee and means “not awake”?

2 In paragraph 1, which word has ee and names a mouth part the beaver uses to cut trees?

3 In paragraph 3, which word has oa and names the furry covering that helps a beaver stay warm?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write two sentences about an animal. Use one word with ee and one word with oa, then underline both vowel teams.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline every word that has the vowel team ee or oa. Read each underlined word aloud to check its sound. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	In paragraph 1, which word has ee and means “not awake”?	sleep
2	In paragraph 1, which word has ee and names a mouth part the beaver uses to cut trees?	teeth
3	In paragraph 3, which word has oa and names the furry covering that helps a beaver stay warm?	coat

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A seal can sleep on a rocky shore. Its thick coat helps it stay warm.

Accept sleep, teeth, and coat for the three questions. For the writing task, accept two related sentences about an animal that include correctly used ee and oa words with the vowel teams underlined.