

Word Part Detectives

Use word beginnings and endings to build meaning.

2.L.V.2 “Word Analysis: Acquire and apply word analysis skills to deconstruct and construct words to make meaning.”

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each word that begins with re- or un-. Circle each word that ends in -ful, then use the word parts to help you understand the words.

A Park Cleanup

- ① On Saturday, Maya joined a park cleanup. She helped unpack gloves and bags near the picnic tables. Her brother looked for litter beside the playground. They wanted the park to be safe and beautiful for everyone.
- ② Maya carried a reusable bottle of water. Instead of throwing it away, she could refill it at home. A helpful volunteer showed the children where to sort paper, cans, and plastic. The group worked carefully.
- ③ Afterward, the children felt proud. They had made a messy place cleaner. Maya said, “We can reuse some things and use less.” The cleanup taught them that small actions can be useful.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 The word unpack begins with un-. What does unpack mean in the passage?

2 The word reusable begins with re-. What does re- tell you?

3 The word helpful ends with -ful. What does helpful mean in the passage?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write two sentences about something you can use again. Use one word that begins with re- and one word that ends with -ful. Underline both words.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each word that begins with re- or un-. Circle each word that ends in -ful, then use the word parts to help you understand the words. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	The word unpack begins with un-. What does unpack mean in the passage?	to take the gloves and bags out of something
2	The word reusable begins with re-. What does re- tell you?	again
3	The word helpful ends with -ful. What does helpful mean in the passage?	able to help

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I reuse my water bottle at school. It is useful because it holds my drink.

Accept accurate meanings supported by the word parts and passage context. For Part 3, accept any two sentences with a correctly used re- word and a correctly used -ful word, both underlined.