Words That Invite

Notice how a writer asks families to help.

2.P.AC.2.b "Craft words and phrases in order to influence the responses, thoughts, decisions, and questions of the target audience and achieve a specific purpose. (I/C)"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline three phrases that tell why families might want a garden. Circle the one question that invites families to help.

Help Our Garden Grow

1. Dear Families, our class wants a small garden by the playground. A garden can give us bright flowers, crunchy peas, and a place for butterflies. We need your help to make this plan grow.
2. Please send one clean milk carton or a packet of seeds next Monday. Even one small item can help. Your gift will let children plant, water, and watch new life each day.
3. Imagine seeing yellow flowers when you walk to school. Would you like to help our garden begin? Bring an item, and you can help make the playground a kinder place for people and insects.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Who is the writer trying to influence, and what does the writer want them to do?

2. Write one phrase that makes the garden sound worth helping.

3. Why does the writer say, "Even one small item can help"?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences asking your classmates to bring one gently used book for a class book swap. Include one reason they may want to help and one question.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.P.AC.2.b

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline three phrases that tell why families might want a garden. Circle the one question that invites families to help. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Who is the writer trying to influence, and what does the writer want them to do?	**The writer is trying to influence families to send a clean milk carton or a packet of seeds next Monday.**
2	Write one phrase that makes the garden sound worth helping.	**Answers may include: "bright flowers," "crunchy peas," or "a place for butterflies."**
3	Why does the writer say, "Even one small item can help"?	**It makes families feel that their small gift matters and may encourage them to help.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Classmates, please bring one gently used book for our class book swap. Would you like to find a new story and help every reader have more choices?

Accept answers that identify the target audience, the requested action, and words or phrases meant to persuade. For Part 3, accept two sentences that ask classmates for a book, give a benefit, and include a question.