

Garden Idea Check

Mark details to examine an idea.

2.P.EICC.2.d "Interpret and construct texts to aid the analysis and evaluation of texts and ideas. (I/C)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the sentence in paragraph 2 that states the writer's idea. Number the two details after it that support the idea.

Our School Garden

- ① Our school garden has raised beds behind the library. Students planted lettuce, beans, and sunflowers in April. The garden gets water from a rain barrel. On sunny days, first graders pull small weeds from the paths.
- ② A school garden is a useful place to learn. In May, Ms. Lee's class measured a bean plant each Friday. They made a chart showing that it grew from 4 inches to 11 inches in three weeks.
- ③ Some students say every school should have a garden. The garden can teach science and provide vegetables, but it needs space, tools, and people to care for it. A school should think about these needs before starting one.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 What idea does the first sentence of paragraph 2 state?

2 Which two details in paragraph 2 support that idea?

3 Would the writer tell a school to start a garden right away? Explain with one detail from paragraph 3.

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Choose a school idea, such as a class pet or a quiet reading corner. Write exactly three sentences: state your idea, give one reason that supports it, and name one need to consider before deciding.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the sentence in paragraph 2 that states the writer's idea. Number the two details after it that support the idea. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What idea does the first sentence of paragraph 2 state?	A school garden is a useful place to learn.
2	Which two details in paragraph 2 support that idea?	Ms. Lee's class measured a bean plant each Friday, and they made a chart showing it grew from 4 inches to 11 inches.
3	Would the writer tell a school to start a garden right away? Explain with one detail from paragraph 3.	No. The writer says a school should think about needs such as space, tools, and people to care for the garden first.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A quiet reading corner would help students focus. Soft chairs and a rug can give readers a calm place away from noise. The class would need to keep the space clean and take turns using it.

Accept responses that identify the paragraph 2 claim and use the measurement and chart details as support. For the open task, accept any reasonable school idea with a clear reason and a practical need to consider.