Pond Builders

Use a question and text details to understand an informational text.

2.P.EICC.3 "Comprehension Strategies: Engage with a range of complex texts for a variety of tasks and purposes, accessing and using strategies for comprehension* before, during, and after reading as part of the meaning-making process."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Before you read, ask, "How does a beaver pond help living things?" As you read, underline three details that help answer your question.

Beaver Ponds

1. Beavers live near streams and ponds. They use their strong front teeth to cut branches. Then they carry sticks, mud, and rocks to a stream. Their dam slows the water and can make a pond behind it.

2. A beaver pond can become a home for many animals. Fish may swim in the deeper water. Frogs lay eggs near pond plants. Ducks can rest there. The pond also gives some animals water to drink.

3. Beavers do not build dams only to help other animals. The deep pond gives beavers a safer place to swim and hide from some enemies. A beaver family may build a lodge in the pond, with an underwater entrance.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Use a detail you underlined. How does the pond help frogs?

2. The text says that a lodge has an "underwater entrance." Reread the words around underwater. What does underwater mean?

3. After reading, answer the question in the job text. Use two ideas from the passage.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose a nonfiction book page. Before reading, write one question; as you read, underline two details; after reading, write one sentence that answers your question using the details.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Before you read, ask, "How does a beaver pond help living things?" As you read, underline three details that help answer your question. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Use a detail you underlined. How does the pond help frogs?	**Frogs lay eggs near pond plants.**
2	The text says that a lodge has an "underwater entrance." Reread the words around underwater. What does underwater mean?	**It means under the water.**
3	After reading, answer the question in the job text. Use two ideas from the passage.	**A beaver pond can be a home where animals rest or lay eggs, and it gives animals water to drink.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Before reading: How do ladybugs help plants? I underlined "Ladybugs eat aphids" and "Aphids can harm plants." After reading: Ladybugs help plants by eating aphids that can harm plants.

Accept supported details for Question 1 and synonyms such as "below the water" for Question 2. For Question 3, accept a response that answers the guiding question with two accurate ideas from the passage.