

Kite in the Tree

Notice how story parts work together.

2.T.T.1.a "Identify and describe techniques used to craft stories, including characters, setting, major events, and dialogue. (I)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle each character, draw a box around words that show the setting, number the three major events 1, 2, and 3, and underline the words people say. These marks show how the author builds the story.

The Kite Rescue

- ① On a bright Saturday morning, Mina and her grandpa walked to Maple Park. A warm wind shook the trees. Mina carried a red kite with a long blue tail. "I hope it flies high," she said.
- ② Grandpa helped Mina hold the string. The kite rose, then swooped into a tall oak tree. Mina tugged gently, but the tail stayed caught. "Let's ask the park keeper for help," Grandpa said.
- ③ Mr. Lee, the park keeper, brought a long pole. He lifted the branch, and the kite slipped free. Mina ran across the grass as it floated down. "Thank you!" Mina called. Soon, her kite danced above the park.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Who are the characters, and where does the story happen?

2 What are the three major events in order?

3 Who says, "Let's ask the park keeper for help," and what does this dialogue show?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write a three-sentence story. Include a character, a setting, two major events, and dialogue from one character.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle each character, draw a box around words that show the setting, number the three major events 1, 2, and 3, and underline the words people say. These marks show how the author builds the story. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Who are the characters, and where does the story happen?	The characters are Mina, her grandpa, and Mr. Lee. The story happens at Maple Park.
2	What are the three major events in order?	The kite gets caught in an oak tree, Grandpa and Mina ask Mr. Lee for help, and Mr. Lee frees the kite.
3	Who says, "Let's ask the park keeper for help," and what does this dialogue show?	Grandpa says it. It shows that he has an idea to help solve the problem.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At the pond after school, Jay saw his paper boat race toward a drain. He ran along the path and caught it with a stick. "I saved it!" Jay shouted.

Accept reasonable markings of Mina, Grandpa, and Mr. Lee as characters, Maple Park and details such as Saturday morning or the oak tree as setting, and the problem, help, and rescue as major events. For Part 3, accept any three-sentence story that includes all four requested story techniques.