Rainy Garden Rescue

Notice how dialogue and actions reveal characters' feelings.

2.T.T.1 "Narrative Techniques: Identify and use narrative techniques to shape understanding."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the words inside quotation marks that characters say aloud. Underline actions that show a character's feeling, so you can see how dialogue and actions shape the story.

Mia's Bean Plant

1. Mia carried her bean plant to the school garden. Dark clouds covered the sky. "I hope it does not rain," she whispered. She held the pot close as wind tugged at her yellow hat.

2. At the garden gate, a loud crack of thunder made Mia jump. Her friend Luis ran over with a big blue umbrella. "Come under here!" he called. Mia smiled and hurried beside him.

3. Rain drummed on the umbrella, but the plant stayed dry. Mia looked at Luis. "You saved my sprout," she said. Luis pointed to the garden bed. Together, they planted it while the rain slowed.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Mia says, “I hope it does not rain.” What does this dialogue help you understand about Mia?

2. What action after the thunder shows Mia’s feeling? What feeling does it show?

3. Luis says, “Come under here!” How do his words and his umbrella help you understand him?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write 2 sentences about a character facing a small problem. Include words the character says in quotation marks and an action that shows how the character feels.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle the words inside quotation marks that characters say aloud. Underline actions that show a character's feeling, so you can see how dialogue and actions shape the story. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Mia says, "I hope it does not rain." What does this dialogue help you understand about Mia?	**She is worried that rain may hurt her plant.**
2	What action after the thunder shows Mia's feeling? What feeling does it show?	**Mia jumps. This shows she is startled or scared.**
3	Luis says, "Come under here!" How do his words and his umbrella help you understand him?	**They show that Luis is helpful and wants to protect Mia and the plant.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Ava saw her paper boat heading toward a drain. "Stop!" she cried, running along the curb with her hands out.

Accept answers that use passage evidence to explain what dialogue or actions reveal about a character. For the writing task, accept any two sentences with dialogue in quotation marks and an action that clearly shows a feeling.