

Choice Clues

Notice how a reader and writer explains her preferences.

3.P.EICC.1.b "Discuss or write about personal and academic reading and writing preferences, referring to specific techniques, topics, modes, and genres that resonate most. (I/C)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each sentence that tells what Maya prefers to read or write. Circle the words that explain why a choice fits her.

Maya's Reading and Writing Choices

- ① On Saturday, Maya chooses a print mystery novel about a missing museum map. She likes turning paper pages and using a bookmark to track clues. When an author ends a chapter with a question, Maya wants to read one more chapter. She writes the names of possible suspects on a sticky note, a technique that helps her notice details.
- ② During science, Maya reads a short article about how beavers build dams. She chooses the class website because its headings and labeled photos help her find facts quickly. Maya prefers articles to stories when she is researching because articles give information in clear sections. She highlights one important fact in each section before she writes her notes.
- ③ When Maya writes for class, she enjoys making an how-to guide more than a poem. Last week, she wrote steps for planting bean seeds. First, she listed the materials. Next, she numbered each step so readers could follow the order. She also added a small drawing beside each step. Maya likes this writing technique because it makes her directions easy for a classmate to use.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 What genre, topic, and reading mode does Maya choose on Saturday?

2 Which reading technique helps Maya notice details in her mystery novel?

3 For science research, what does Maya read, where does she read it, and why does she choose that mode?

4 What kind of writing does Maya prefer for class, and which two techniques does she use to help readers?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write 3 sentences about your reading and writing preferences. Include one personal choice and one school choice, naming genres, topics, modes, or techniques and explaining why each choice fits you.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each sentence that tells what Maya prefers to read or write. Circle the words that explain why a choice fits her. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What genre, topic, and reading mode does Maya choose on Saturday?	She chooses a print mystery novel about a missing museum map.
2	Which reading technique helps Maya notice details in her mystery novel?	She writes possible suspects' names on a sticky note.
3	For science research, what does Maya read, where does she read it, and why does she choose that mode?	She reads an article on the class website because the headings and labeled photos help her find facts quickly.
4	What kind of writing does Maya prefer for class, and which two techniques does she use to help readers?	She prefers an how-to guide and uses numbered steps and small drawings.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At home, I like reading printed fantasy books about dragons because I can picture the world. For school, I prefer reading science articles online because headings help me find facts. When I write a report, I use labeled pictures because they help readers understand my topic.

Accept responses that accurately name Maya's preferences, modes, genres, topics, techniques, and reasons from the passage. For the open task, accept varied choices if the student includes personal and school preferences with specific details and reasons.