Revision Makes Meaning

See how feedback can strengthen a clear announcement.

5.P.EICC.4.g "Make changes to the text based on self-evaluation or external feedback, revising the organization, ideas, information, word choices, and craft techniques in order to increase the text's effectiveness. (C)"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB In paragraph 3, underline the purpose statement, box the added fact, and circle the new ending that uses an image to show how Maya used feedback to improve her announcement.

Maya Revises an Announcement

1. On Monday, Maya wrote a short announcement asking classmates to join the school garden club. Her first draft began, "Gardens are nice. We need helpers." It listed meeting times before explaining what the club would do. Maya reread it and noticed that readers might not know why the garden mattered. She also thought the word nice did not show the garden's value.

2. Two classmates gave feedback. Jordan said the announcement should open with the club's purpose, so busy readers would understand it quickly. Lina asked Maya to add a fact about the garden. Maya checked the science teacher's records and learned that students had harvested 86 pounds of vegetables last spring. Lina also suggested replacing the plain ending, "Come help," with words that created a picture.

3. Maya moved the purpose to the beginning and added the harvest fact after it. Her revised announcement said, "Join the garden club to grow fresh food for our school. Last spring, students harvested 86 pounds of vegetables. We meet Tuesdays at 3:15 in the garden shed. Dig in with us, and help turn tiny seeds into crunchy lunches." The new order explained the goal, supported it with information, and ended with a lively image.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What organization change did Maya make, and why did Jordan suggest it?

2. What information did Maya add after Lina's feedback, and where did she get it?

3. How did Maya change the ending to make her word choice more effective?

4. Explain how the revised announcement is more effective than the first draft. Use two changes from the passage.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Revise this announcement in exactly two sentences: "The library makerspace is open Wednesday. Come to it. You can build things. It is after school." Use this feedback: Begin with the purpose, add one specific activity, and replace "Come to it" with inviting words.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 5 · 5.P.EICC.4.g

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

In paragraph 3, underline the purpose statement, box the added fact, and circle the new ending that uses an image to show how Maya used feedback to improve her announcement. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What organization change did Maya make, and why did Jordan suggest it?	**Maya moved the club's purpose to the beginning so busy readers would understand the announcement quickly.**
2	What information did Maya add after Lina's feedback, and where did she get it?	**She added that students harvested 86 pounds of vegetables last spring. She got the fact from the science teacher's records.**
3	How did Maya change the ending to make her word choice more effective?	**She replaced "Come help" with "Dig in with us, and help turn tiny seeds into crunchy lunches," which creates a picture.**
4	Explain how the revised announcement is more effective than the first draft. Use two changes from the passage.	**It states the purpose first and adds a specific harvest fact. It also ends with a lively image that makes joining sound interesting.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Turn your ideas into inventions at the library makerspace this Wednesday after school. Design and test a paper bridge, then join us to build something bold.

Accept two-sentence revisions that begin with or clearly state a purpose, include a specific activity, and use more inviting language than "Come to it." Students may choose a different logical order or vivid wording.