Evidence Marks Match

Sort evidence sentences by their editing.

6.L.GC.1.54 "Mechanics: Use conventional capitalization, quotation marks, commas, end punctuation, and parentheses (citations) when incorporating textual evidence. (Continue)"

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CORRECTLY EDITED

A correctly edited evidence sentence uses capital letters and quotation marks correctly. Its commas, end marks, and parenthetical citation are in the right places.

The field guide notes, "Owls rest in hollow trees" (Martin 10).

NEEDS FIXING

This sentence has at least one error in capitalization, quotation marks, commas, end punctuation, or its parenthetical citation.

a caption reads "Dario built a model airplane". (Ibrahim 24)

1 SORT

8 items

Circle EDITED or FIXING for each sentence, then choose two items and explain which marks show why each belongs in its category.

1.	"The rain gauge collected two inches of water," Noah reported (Patel 6).	EDITED FIXING
2.	The historian states, "The bridge opened in 1924" (Reed 11).	EDITED FIXING
3.	"How did the mapmaker measure the coast?" asks the article (James 3).	EDITED FIXING
4.	In the journal, "rabbits hid beneath the brush" (Moore 8).	EDITED FIXING
5.	The guide writes "The cave stays cool all year" (Allen 19).	EDITED FIXING
6.	The text says, "A compass points north". (Green 27)	EDITED FIXING
7.	The coach says, "Practice builds confidence" (Wells 4).	EDITED FIXING
8.	The newspaper reports, "The parade begins at noon. (Baker 15)	EDITED FIXING

2 PROVE IT

Explain your thinking

Pick two items from Part 1. For each one, tell how you knew where it belonged.

ITEM # _____ **HOW I KNEW** _____

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3 MAKE YOUR OWN

One of each

Write one new evidence sentence that belongs in EDITED and one new evidence sentence that belongs in FIXING.

EDITED _____

FIXING _____

CHALLENGE

Rewrite one FIXING item from Part 1 so it becomes EDITED, then name the change you made.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · SORT

#	ITEM	CATEGORY	WHY
1	"The rain gauge collected two inches of water," Noah reported (Patel 6).	**EDITED**	The comma is inside the quotation marks, and the period follows the parenthetical citation.
2	The historian states, "The bridge opened in 1924" (Reed 11).	**EDITED**	The sentence has correct capitalization, quotation marks, comma placement, citation placement, and end punctuation.
3	"How did the mapmaker measure the coast?" asks the article (James 3).	**EDITED**	The question mark belongs inside the quotation marks, and the citation follows the quotation.
4	In the journal, "rabbits hid beneath the brush" (Moore 8).	**FIXING**	The first word of the quoted sentence should begin with a capital letter.
5	The guide writes "The cave stays cool all year" (Allen 19).	**FIXING**	A comma is needed before the quoted words.
6	The text says, "A compass points north". (Green 27)	**FIXING**	The period should come after the parenthetical citation, not before it.
7	The coach says, "Practice builds confidence" (Wells 4).	**EDITED**	The comma, quotation marks, capitalization, citation, and final period are correctly placed.
8	The newspaper reports, "The parade begins at noon. (Baker 15)	**FIXING**	The closing quotation mark is missing before the citation.

PART 2 · PROVE IT

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item.

PART 3 · MAKE YOUR OWN (SAMPLE ANSWERS)

- **EDITED**: The website explains, "Tides change throughout the day" (Ortiz 12).
- **FIXING**: The article says "Kites rise when wind pushes against them" (Morris 2).

Challenge: The text says, "A compass points north" (Green 27). I moved the period to the end, after the citation.

Accept any explanation that names the deciding feature from the rule box for the chosen item. Sort key: 1 EDITED, 2 EDITED, 3 EDITED, 4 FIXING, 5 FIXING, 6 FIXING, 7 EDITED, 8 FIXING. For Part 2, accept explanations that accurately identify the punctuation, capitalization, quotation mark, or citation evidence.