

Clues Before Noon

Use details to predict, check, and revise what may happen next.

7.P.EICC.3.e "Make and track predictions about the events and information likely to come next. (I)"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB After paragraphs 1 and 2, underline two clues that guide a prediction and write a short prediction in the margin. In paragraph 3, circle a detail that confirms or changes one of your predictions.

The Leaking Shed

- ① On Saturday morning, Maya arrived at the community garden carrying a clipboard and a packet of sunflower seeds. The garden club planned to plant along the back fence before an afternoon open house. Yet a muddy strip crossed the path near the tool shed, although no rain had fallen overnight. Maya noticed a thin stream of water running from beneath the shed door. Mr. Alvarez, the club leader, was unlocking the gate at the far end of the garden.
- ② Maya called to him, but he pointed toward a group of visitors waiting outside the gate. She knelt beside the shed and heard a steady hissing sound. Inside, the floor was crowded with pots, hoses, and a large rain barrel that collected water from the roof. The barrel's lid sat crookedly, and water dripped from a valve near its base. Maya remembered that the club used the barrel to fill watering cans. She searched for a bucket while the visitors began walking toward the flower beds.
- ③ Before Maya reached the bucket, Mr. Alvarez returned from greeting the visitors. He examined the valve and turned its handle until the dripping stopped. Then he asked Maya to help move the dry seed packets away from the damp floor. Together, they set a pan under the valve and placed a sign near the shed: "Repair Needed." By noon, the path had begun to dry. The club planted the sunflowers, and several visitors signed up to help fix the rain barrel the following week after the open house ended.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

- 1** At the end of paragraph 1, what problem would you predict Maya will find near the shed? Give two clues that support your prediction.

- 2** At the end of paragraph 2, what would you predict Mr. Alvarez will do when he returns? Use details about the rain barrel.

- 3** Did paragraph 3 confirm the prediction that Mr. Alvarez would stop the leak? Explain with one detail from the paragraph.

- 4** What is most likely to happen to the rain barrel after the open house? Use two details from paragraph 3 to support your prediction.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write exactly four sentences about a new situation. In sentence 1, introduce a problem. In sentence 2, make a prediction, in sentence 3 add new information, and in sentence 4 revise or confirm your prediction.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

After paragraphs 1 and 2, underline two clues that guide a prediction and write a short prediction in the margin. In paragraph 3, circle a detail that confirms or changes one of your predictions. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	At the end of paragraph 1, what problem would you predict Maya will find near the shed? Give two clues that support your prediction.	Maya will likely find a water leak in or near the shed. The muddy path despite no rain and the stream running from under the door support this prediction.
2	At the end of paragraph 2, what would you predict Mr. Alvarez will do when he returns? Use details about the rain barrel.	He will likely inspect the leaking valve and stop the water. The crooked lid, dripping valve, and hissing sound suggest that the rain barrel is leaking.
3	Did paragraph 3 confirm the prediction that Mr. Alvarez would stop the leak? Explain with one detail from the paragraph.	Yes. Mr. Alvarez turned the valve handle until the dripping stopped.
4	What is most likely to happen to the rain barrel after the open house? Use two details from paragraph 3 to support your prediction.	The rain barrel will likely be repaired. The sign says "Repair Needed," and visitors signed up to help fix it the following week.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At the school science fair, Jordan saw that the model bridge was sagging at one end. He predicted that it would collapse when the judge added weight. Then he noticed that a loose support string had slipped from its hook. Jordan revised his prediction: the bridge would stay up after the string was reattached.

Accept reasonable predictions that use clear passage details as evidence. For the open task, check that the student makes an initial prediction and then confirms or revises it after adding new information.