Weather Changes Plans

Compare clothing and outdoor activities across the United States.

2.SS.2.2 "Compare how environmental conditions affect living styles and clothing in different parts of the country."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the weather in each place, circle what people wear, and draw a box around one way the weather changes an outdoor activity in each paragraph.

Going Outside in Different Places

1. In parts of the Southwest, summer days are hot and dry. People may walk dogs early, when the air is cooler, and pick shady paths. They wear light clothes and sun hats to help them stay cool.

2. In parts of the northern United States, winter brings cold air and deep snow. People may shovel paths before they walk outside. They wear warm coats, boots, and gloves. Some children play in the snow after school.

3. In parts of the Pacific Northwest, many fall days are rainy. People may wear raincoats and boots to keep dry. They might walk under umbrellas instead of looking for shade. Rain can make trails muddy, so some people choose paved paths.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. How is clothing for a hot Southwest summer different from clothing for a snowy northern winter?

2. How might the weather change when or where people walk in the Southwest and the Pacific Northwest?

3. How do snow in the north and rain in the Pacific Northwest change what people do before or during a walk?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Imagine a windy day in another part of the United States. Write two sentences comparing what a child could wear and do outdoors there and on a hot, dry day in the Southwest. Explain how the weather affects each choice.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the weather in each place, circle what people wear, and draw a box around one way the weather changes an outdoor activity in each paragraph. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How is clothing for a hot Southwest summer different from clothing for a snowy northern winter?	**People in the Southwest wear light clothes and sun hats to stay cool. In the snowy north, they wear warm coats, boots, and gloves.**
2	How might the weather change when or where people walk in the Southwest and the Pacific Northwest?	**In the Southwest, people may walk early or choose shady paths to stay cool. In the Pacific Northwest, they may choose paved paths because rain makes trails muddy.**
3	How do snow in the north and rain in the Pacific Northwest change what people do before or during a walk?	**In the north, people may shovel snowy paths before walking. In the Pacific Northwest, they may use umbrellas and walk on paved paths when it rains.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

On a windy day, a child could wear a jacket to block the wind and fly a kite outside. On a hot, dry day in the Southwest, a child could wear a sun hat and play in the shade to stay cool.

Accept comparisons that correctly connect each place's weather to clothing or an outdoor choice in the passage. For Your Turn, accept reasonable windy-day choices and a clear contrast with hot, dry weather.