Tide Pool Clues

Use headings and nearby words to find word meanings.

2.RC.11 "Use context clues (e.g., words and sentence clues) and text features (e.g., table of contents, headings) to determine the meanings of unknown words."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle tide pool, cling, and crevice as you read. Underline a heading or nearby words that help you tell what each one means.

Life in a Tide Pool

1. **Water Left Behind** When the sea moves away from the shore, some water stays in small dips in the rocks. Each small pool of trapped water is a tide pool. Tiny fish may swim there until the sea comes back.

2. **Holding On** A sea star can cling to a rock in a tide pool. It holds on tightly with tiny tube feet. That grip helps the sea star stay in place when waves splash into the pool.

3. **A Narrow Hideout** A crab slips into a crevice between two rocks. The space is so narrow that a big fish cannot follow. The crab stays tucked away there while water rushes over the rocks.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What is a tide pool? Which words helped you know?

2. What does cling mean? Which words helped you know?

3. What is a crevice? Use the heading and a clue in the paragraph to explain.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about an animal. Use the word shelter in one sentence, and give a clue in the other sentence that shows what shelter means.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle tide pool, cling, and crevice as you read. Underline a heading or nearby words that help you tell what each one means. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What is a tide pool? Which words helped you know?	**A tide pool is water trapped in a small dip in the rocks. Accept the heading or the words about water staying in the dips as the clue.**
2	What does cling mean? Which words helped you know?	**Cling means hold on tightly. The sea star holds on with tube feet and stays in place.**
3	What is a crevice? Use the heading and a clue in the paragraph to explain.	**A crevice is a narrow space between rocks. The heading says it is narrow, and the paragraph says a big fish cannot fit.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A rabbit found shelter in a burrow. The hole kept it safe from the cold wind.

Accept clear meanings supported by a heading or nearby words. For Part 3, the second sentence should show that shelter is a safe or protected place.