Snail Trail

Read and mark long a vowel teams

2.RF "Students develop word recognition by building on print concepts, phonemic awareness, and phonics to decode."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Read the story. Circle the letters ai or ay in six words where they make the long a sound.

A Snail on the Trail

1. On a rainy day, Mia and Ben saw a snail on the trail. The snail slid past a gray rock. Mia wanted to watch it, so she sat on a log and waited.

2. Ben found a leaf beside the path. He made a tiny boat and set it in a puddle. A drop of rain fell on the leaf. The boat tipped, but Ben made it sail once more.

3. When the rain stopped, the kids went out to play. Mia drew a long line in the mud. Ben tried to stay on the line as he walked. The snail kept moving its own way.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which word with ai names the animal with a shell? Write the word and underline ai.

2. Which word with ai names the path where Mia and Ben saw the animal? Write the word and underline ai.

3. Which word with ay means to have fun? Write the word and underline ay.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about a day at a park. Use one word with ai and one word with ay that are not in the story, and underline those letters in each word.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Read the story. Circle the letters ai or ay in six words where they make the long a sound. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which word with ai names the animal with a shell? Write the word and underline ai.	**sn<u>ai</u>l**
2	Which word with ai names the path where Mia and Ben saw the animal? Write the word and underline ai.	**tr<u>ai</u>l**
3	Which word with ay means to have fun? Write the word and underline ay.	**pl<u>ay</u>**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I filled a p<u>ai</u>l with sand at the park. A hose can spr<u>ay</u> water on the grass.

For the marking job, accept any six words from the passage in which ai or ay makes the long a sound. For Your Turn, check that both words are new, spelled correctly, and have the vowel teams underlined.