# Rocket Rescue

Notice how dialogue helps characters solve a problem.

**3.W.4.c** "Include dialogue."

NAME _____ DATE _____

## 1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

**YOUR JOB** Underline the words each character says. Circle the name of the character who says them.

### A New Nose for the Rocket

1 At recess, Mara and Luis carried a cardboard rocket onto the playground. Their class would use it in a space play after lunch. A gust of wind sent the silver paper nose flying over the fence. "Our rocket lost its tip!" Mara cried. Luis looked at the fence and said, "We can't go into the street to get it."

2 Mara stood on a bench to see past the fence. The silver paper had landed in a puddle beside the sidewalk. "Could we make a new tip?" Luis asked. Mara shook her head. "The play starts soon," she said. Their teacher, Ms. Chen, walked over with a stack of books and blue paper. "What happened to the rocket?" she asked.

3 "The wind took its nose," Luis told Ms. Chen. She looked at the clock by the door. "We have ten minutes," Ms. Chen said. "Try folding this blue paper into a cone." Mara rolled the paper while Luis held the rocket steady. "It fits!" Mara said. Luis grinned. "Now our rocket has a blue nose," he said, and they carried it inside.

## 2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What does Mara say when she first notices the problem?

2. What does Luis say to explain why they cannot get the old nose?

3. What does Ms. Chen say that gives the children a plan?

4. What does Mara's "It fits!" tell you about the new nose?

## 3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a four-sentence scene about two children solving a different problem at school. Include something each child says that helps them solve it.

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## PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the words each character says. Circle the name of the character who says them. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

## PART 2 · ANSWERS

| # | QUESTION | ANSWER |
|---|---|---|
| 1 | What does Mara say when she first notices the problem? | **"Our rocket lost its tip!"** |
| 2 | What does Luis say to explain why they cannot get the old nose? | **"We can't go into the street to get it."** |
| 3 | What does Ms. Chen say that gives the children a plan? | **"Try folding this blue paper into a cone."** |
| 4 | What does Mara's "It fits!" tell you about the new nose? | **The blue paper cone fits on the rocket.** |

## PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

The class poster fell off the wall. "I can hold it up," Jo said. "I will get tape," Ben said. Together, they fixed the poster before the bell rang.

Accept answers that identify the correct speaker and explain what the quoted words show. For Part 3, look for four sentences with dialogue from both children that helps solve a new school problem.