Seasons on the Map

Find natural features and notice what seasons change.

2.G.5 "On a map, identify physical features of the local community, and how seasons may or may not impact those features."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the three land or water features Mia draws, and circle the season words. Use your marks to find what changes and what stays in place.

Mia's Town Map

1. Mia makes a map of her town. She puts the school in the middle. North of the school, she draws a pond. She colors the pond blue so anyone reading her map can find the water.
2. West of the school, Mia draws a hill above the homes. In fall, trees on the hill lose their leaves. The hill stays in the same place, even when the trees look bare.
3. South of the school, Mia draws a creek that bends past the park. In winter, ice may cover parts of the creek. In spring, rain can make its water rise. The creek stays south of the school.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which natural feature is north of the school on Mia's map? How does she show it?

2. Which feature is west of the school? What changes there in fall, and what stays the same?

3. Which feature is south of the school? Tell one way a season may change it.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Make a map of a community you invent in the box. Label a school and two natural features, add a north arrow, and write two sentences about how a season may change one feature and what stays in place.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the three land or water features Mia draws, and circle the season words. Use your marks to find what changes and what stays in place. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which natural feature is north of the school on Mia's map? How does she show it?	**A pond is north of the school. Mia colors it blue.**
2	Which feature is west of the school? What changes there in fall, and what stays the same?	**The hill is west of the school. Its trees lose their leaves in fall, but the hill stays in the same place.**
3	Which feature is south of the school? Tell one way a season may change it.	**The creek is south of the school. Ice may cover parts of it in winter, or rain may make its water rise in spring.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Map: A school in the center, a lake to the east, a rocky cliff to the north, and a north arrow pointing up. In winter, the lake may freeze. The cliff stays north of the school all year.

For question 3, accept either winter ice or a spring rise in the creek's water. For the map, check for two labeled natural features, a school, a north arrow, and two sentences that match the drawing.