Soup on Maple Street

How neighbors share goods and services

3.E.4 "Define interdependence, and give examples of how people in the local community depend on each other for goods and services."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline two goods and circle two kinds of work people do for others. Write 1 and 2 beside two examples of people depending on each other.

A Bowl of Soup

1. On Friday, the Maple Street Diner is busy making vegetable soup. Ms. Chen, the cook, buys carrots from Mr. Ortiz, a farmer nearby. Carrots and soup are goods, things people grow or make to use or sell. Ms. Chen needs the carrots to make lunch. Mr. Ortiz needs customers like Ms. Chen to buy what he grows.

2. Before lunch, the diner sink stops working. Ms. Chen calls Ms. Bell, a local plumber. Ms. Bell fixes the sink so the cook can wash dishes. Repairing a sink is a service, work done to help someone else. After her work, Ms. Bell buys a bowl of soup. She depends on the diner for lunch, and the diner depends on her repair.

3. Mr. Ortiz also visits the neighborhood garden shop. He buys seeds from its owner, Mr. Lee, to grow more carrots. Mr. Lee eats lunch at the diner, where those carrots become soup. People in the community depend on each other for goods and services. This is called interdependence. One person's work helps another person, and that person may help someone else.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What does interdependence mean? Give one example from the passage.

2. How do Ms. Chen and Mr. Ortiz depend on each other?

3. How do Ms. Bell and the diner depend on each other for a good and a service?

4. Why does Mr. Lee depend on both Mr. Ortiz and Ms. Chen for his lunch?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Think of two people in your community who are not in the passage. In three sentences, name a good one provides, name a service the other provides, and explain how they depend on each other.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 3 · 3.E.4

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline two goods and circle two kinds of work people do for others. Write 1 and 2 beside two examples of people depending on each other. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What does interdependence mean? Give one example from the passage.	**Interdependence means people depend on each other. For example, Ms. Chen needs Mr. Ortiz's carrots, and he needs her to buy them.**
2	How do Ms. Chen and Mr. Ortiz depend on each other?	**Ms. Chen needs Mr. Ortiz's carrots to make lunch. Mr. Ortiz needs Ms. Chen to buy his carrots.**
3	How do Ms. Bell and the diner depend on each other for a good and a service?	**The diner needs Ms. Bell's sink repair service. Ms. Bell buys soup, a good, from the diner.**
4	Why does Mr. Lee depend on both Mr. Ortiz and Ms. Chen for his lunch?	**Mr. Ortiz grows the carrots, and Ms. Chen uses them to make the soup Mr. Lee eats.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

A baker makes bread for a barber to buy. The barber cuts the baker's hair. They depend on each other for bread and haircuts.

For the marking job, accept carrots, soup, or seeds as goods and cooking or sink repair as work done for others. For Your Turn, accept any accurate, two-way example with one good and one service.