

Butterfly Flower Choice

Use a table to connect details and ideas in an informational text.

2R7 “Demonstrate understanding of story elements and/or topics by applying information gained from illustrations or text features. (RI&RL)”

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the sentence that tells what the table shows. Circle the flower name with the largest number in the table, then number the sentence that tells why the club chose it.

A Garden Club Count

- ① The Garden Club planted four kinds of flowers beside the school path. For one week, members watched for butterflies after lunch. They hoped to learn which flowers brought the most butterflies. Maya used a clicker to count each butterfly that landed near a flower bed.
- ② At the end of the week, Maya made the table below. It shows the total number of butterflies she counted at each kind of flower. The club looked at the table, not just one day’s count, because some days were windy and few butterflies came.

BUTTERFLIES COUNTED DURING ONE WEEK	
Flower	Butterflies Counted
Zinnia	18
Marigold	12
Sunflower	9
Lavender	15

- ③ The table helped the club choose zinnias for a new patch near the bench. Zinnias had the largest number, so they seemed most likely to bring butterflies there. The club also planted some lavender because it had the second-largest count. They wanted the path to have more than one flower color.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What information does the table show?

2 Which flower did the club choose for the new patch? How does the table support that choice?

3 Why did the club use the weekly totals in the table instead of counting butterflies on just one day?

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Make a table about three kinds of flowers. Invent a butterfly count for each flower, then mark one flower you would plant because it has the largest count.

FLOWER	BUTTERFLY COUNT	PLANT IT?

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the sentence that tells what the table shows. Circle the flower name with the largest number in the table, then number the sentence that tells why the club chose it. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What information does the table show?	It shows the total number of butterflies counted at each kind of flower during one week.
2	Which flower did the club choose for the new patch? How does the table support that choice?	The club chose zinnias. The table shows that zinnias had the largest count, 18 butterflies.
3	Why did the club use the weekly totals in the table instead of counting butterflies on just one day?	Some days were windy, and few butterflies came. The weekly totals gave the club information from all the days.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

FLOWER	BUTTERFLY COUNT	PLANT IT?
Daisy	11	No
Coneflower	17	Yes
Rose	8	No

Accept any three flower names and reasonable invented counts. The flower marked to plant should have the largest count in the student's table.