

Creek Boat Voices

Use punctuation to guide a smooth, expressive rereading.

2RF4.a "Read grade-level text orally with accuracy, appropriate rate, and expression on successive readings."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle every question mark and exclamation point. Read the passage two times, and let these marks help you change your voice.

The Paper Boat

- ① Mina carried a small paper boat to the creek after lunch. Her brother Leo hurried beside her. "Will it float?" he asked. Mina smiled and set the boat on the moving water.
- ② The boat tipped, then sailed past a smooth gray rock. "Look, Leo, it is racing!" Mina called. Leo clapped his hands. "Go, little boat, go!" he said. Both children ran along the bank.
- ③ At the bend, the boat caught on a twig. Leo reached down, but Mina pointed to a tiny frog nearby. "Wait," she whispered. "The frog may jump!" They watched quietly. Splash! The frog leaped, and the boat drifted free.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Which sentence should your voice rise at the end because it is a question?

2 Write the words Mina calls with excitement in paragraph 2.

3 What one-word sound near the end should you read with a quick, strong voice?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write two sentences about something moving outdoors. Make one sentence a question and one sentence excited, then read both sentences aloud two times using your punctuation to change your voice.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle every question mark and exclamation point. Read the passage two times, and let these marks help you change your voice. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which sentence should your voice rise at the end because it is a question?	"Will it float?"
2	Write the words Mina calls with excitement in paragraph 2.	"Look, Leo, it is racing!"
3	What one-word sound near the end should you read with a quick, strong voice?	"Splash!"

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Will my red kite reach the cloud? Look, it is dancing in the wind!

Accept the exact quoted sentences or words from the passage. For Your Turn, accept two original sentences about movement outdoors, with one question and one excited sentence using correct end punctuation.