

Bean Plant Steps

Read a model narrative and track how time words order events.

3W3.c "Use temporal words and phrases to signal event order."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each word or phrase that tells when an event happens. In the margin, number the main events in the order they happen.

Maya's Bean Plant

- ① Early Saturday morning, Maya carried a small pot to the sunny porch. Before breakfast, she filled it with dark soil and pressed one bean seed inside. Next, Maya poured water slowly until the soil felt damp. She placed the pot by the railing, where it would get light. Then she washed the dirt from her hands.
- ② Later that day, Maya checked the pot after lunch. No sprout showed yet, so she left the soil alone. The next morning, she looked again and saw a pale green curve pushing through the soil. After she called her brother, Maya added a little more water. At last, her bean plant had begun to grow.
- ③ During the week, Maya followed the same careful steps. First, she checked whether the soil was dry. If it was dry, she gave the plant a drink. A few days later, two leaves opened. Finally, Maya wrote the date in her garden notebook and moved the pot closer to the porch window when rain clouds blocked the sun.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What did Maya do early Saturday morning?

2 Which happened first, Maya saw a green curve, or Maya added more water after calling her brother?

3 What phrase tells when Maya filled the pot with soil?

4 Put these events in order: Maya wrote the date, two leaves opened, and Maya checked whether the soil was dry.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write a five-sentence narrative about making a snack for an animal, real or imagined. Use at least four temporal words or phrases to show the order of events.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each word or phrase that tells when an event happens. In the margin, number the main events in the order they happen. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What did Maya do early Saturday morning?	She carried a small pot to the sunny porch.
2	Which happened first, Maya saw a green curve, or Maya added more water after calling her brother?	Maya saw a green curve first.
3	What phrase tells when Maya filled the pot with soil?	Before breakfast.
4	Put these events in order: Maya wrote the date, two leaves opened, and Maya checked whether the soil was dry.	First, Maya checked whether the soil was dry. Next, two leaves opened. Finally, Maya wrote the date.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

First, I found a bowl for the hungry cat. Next, I poured crunchy food into it. After that, I carried the bowl to the porch. Then, the cat sniffed the food and began to eat. Finally, I washed my hands.

Accept reasonable answers that correctly identify the passage events and their order. For Your Turn, accept any five-sentence narrative with at least four clear temporal words or phrases that signal event order.