

Rules for Everyone

Read how a fair library rule helps the community.

2.4a "Communities have the responsibility to make and enforce fair laws and rules that provide for the common good."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the library rule. Circle two details that show how the rule helps the whole community.

Sharing the Library

- ① At Riverbend Library, many children and adults share books, computers, and quiet spaces. The town made a rule: return borrowed books by their due dates. This rule is fair because everyone gets a chance to use the books.
- ② Library workers explain the rule and check return dates. If a book is late, the borrower may not take out another book until the first one comes back. This consequence helps make sure books are available for others.
- ③ Following the rule helps neighbors share library materials without long waits. A rule should not favor one person or group. Town leaders can listen to people, then make rules that protect shared places and help the whole community.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Why is the book-return rule fair?

2 How do library workers help enforce the rule?

3 What happens when a book is late, and how does this help others?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Write two sentences about a fair rule for a shared playground. Tell who will enforce the rule and how the rule helps everyone.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the library rule. Circle two details that show how the rule helps the whole community. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Why is the book-return rule fair?	It is fair because everyone gets a chance to use the books.
2	How do library workers help enforce the rule?	They explain the rule and check return dates.
3	What happens when a book is late, and how does this help others?	The borrower may not be allowed to take out another book until the first book comes back. This helps keep books available for others.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At the playground, children must take turns on the swings. A teacher will remind children of the rule so everyone can play safely and get a turn.

Accept answers that explain fairness as giving people equal chances and helping the whole community. For Your Turn, accept a reasonable shared-space rule, a person or group who enforces it, and a clear community benefit.