Choices in Town

How people choose to work, make, and buy

2.C.4.1 "Describe how citizens live and work in a free market where they can make decisions about their work, what they want to produce, and what they want to buy."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one choice about work, circle one choice about what to make, and write a 1 beside Jo's choice about what to buy.

A Saturday in Town

1. In our town, people can choose many kinds of work. Ms. Lee likes to bake, so she opens a small bakery. Mr. Diaz chooses to fix bikes. Each person picks work that uses skills and helps others.

2. Ms. Lee decides to make apple muffins, not just bread. She buys apples from a farmer who chooses to grow them. The farmer sells apples to her bakery. These people decide what to make and what to sell.

3. On Saturday, Jo has money to spend. Jo sees muffins at the bakery and a bike bell at Mr. Diaz's shop. Jo chooses the bell today and saves the rest. In a free market, buyers choose what to buy.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What work does Mr. Diaz choose, and how does it help others?

2. What does Ms. Lee decide to make instead of only bread?

3. What does Jo choose to buy, and what does Jo do with the rest of the money?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Imagine you open a small stand in your town. In three sentences, tell what work you choose, what you choose to make or sell, and what a buyer might choose to buy from you.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.C.4.1

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline one choice about work, circle one choice about what to make, and write a 1 beside Jo's choice about what to buy. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What work does Mr. Diaz choose, and how does it help others?	**Mr. Diaz chooses to fix bikes, which helps people who need their bikes fixed.**
2	What does Ms. Lee decide to make instead of only bread?	**She decides to make apple muffins.**
3	What does Jo choose to buy, and what does Jo do with the rest of the money?	**Jo chooses to buy a bike bell and saves the rest of the money.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I choose to work as a flower grower at my stand. I choose to grow and sell sunflowers. A buyer might choose to buy a bunch of sunflowers from me.

Accept other passage-based examples of choices for the marking job. For Your Turn, accept any three sentences that give a work choice, a choice about what to make or sell, and a matching buyer choice.