Our Shared Stream

Ask questions about caring for a place we share

2.P.1.2.A "Ask and respond to enduring essential questions of common concerns to the community and state."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the two questions Maya asks. Underline one thing the town does and one thing the state does that could help answer her questions.

A Stream for Everyone

1. After a rain, Maya sees a cup near a storm drain. Rain can carry the cup and other trash into a stream. Fish live there. Maya asks, "How can we keep the stream clean for everyone?"

2. People in Maya's town ask that question each year. Neighbors pick up litter near the stream. The town puts trash cans in the park. When people use the cans, less trash is left for rain to carry away.

3. The stream flows beyond Maya's town. State workers test its water and tell towns if it is dirty. Maya sees that caring for a stream takes people in many places. She asks, "How can our town and state help together?"

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What question could you ask about keeping trash out of the stream? Answer it with one action from the passage.

2. What question could you ask about how the state helps the stream? Answer it using the passage.

3. Maya asks how the town and state can help together. How would you answer her? Name one action by each.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Think of a different problem that can affect people in your town and state. Write one question people could keep asking about it, then write two sentences telling how the town and state could help.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle the two questions Maya asks. Underline one thing the town does and one thing the state does that could help answer her questions. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What question could you ask about keeping trash out of the stream? Answer it with one action from the passage.	**How can people keep trash out of the stream? Neighbors can pick up litter near it.**
2	What question could you ask about how the state helps the stream? Answer it using the passage.	**How does the state find out if the stream is dirty? State workers test its water.**
3	Maya asks how the town and state can help together. How would you answer her? Name one action by each.	**The town puts trash cans in the park. State workers test the stream's water and tell towns if it is dirty.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

How can we help children cross busy roads safely? People in our town could ask drivers to slow down near schools. State workers could put up signs on state roads.

Accept other passage-based questions and answers for Part 2. For Part 3, look for a question about an ongoing shared concern and separate, reasonable ways the town and state could help.