A Statue's Story

Find facts that support a main idea

2.P.4 "Develop a variety of evidence-based written products designed for multiple purposes. Summarize and paraphrase, integrate evidence, and cite sources to create written products, research projects..."

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1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the sentence that tells the passage's main idea. Circle one fact in paragraph 2 and one fact in paragraph 3 that support it.

The Statue of Liberty

1. Long ago, France gave the Statue of Liberty to the United States. The gift honored the friendship between the two countries. The statue stands on an island in New York Harbor. It tells a story about friendship and freedom.

2. According to the National Park Service, the statue was dedicated in 1886. Its raised torch stands for freedom. People could see it from ships in the harbor. These facts help explain why the statue became a sign of hope.

3. Many people came to the United States by ship. Some saw the statue as they entered New York Harbor. For them, it could mean a new start. Today, visitors can learn its story at the statue's museum.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What is the passage's main idea? Write it in your own words.

2. Which fact from paragraph 2 supports the idea of freedom? Write it in your own words.

3. How does a fact from paragraph 3 show that the statue could mean hope to people arriving by ship?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a three-sentence sign for children visiting the statue. Tell why the statue matters, use two facts from different paragraphs, and name the passage's source in your last sentence.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the sentence that tells the passage's main idea. Circle one fact in paragraph 2 and one fact in paragraph 3 that support it. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What is the passage's main idea? Write it in your own words.	**The Statue of Liberty tells a story of friendship and freedom.**
2	Which fact from paragraph 2 supports the idea of freedom? Write it in your own words.	**The statue's raised torch is a sign of freedom.**
3	How does a fact from paragraph 3 show that the statue could mean hope to people arriving by ship?	**Some people saw the statue as they arrived, and it could mean a new start to them.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

The Statue of Liberty tells a story about friendship and freedom. France gave it to the United States, and people arriving by ship could see it in New York Harbor. The National Park Service shares facts about the statue.

Accept accurate paraphrases that connect passage facts to friendship, freedom, or hope. For the sign, check for three sentences, facts from two different paragraphs, and the National Park Service named in the last sentence.