

Choose and Tell Why

Use a fact to tell why you made a choice.

ELA.1.C.1.3 "Write opinions about a topic or text with at least one supporting reason from a source and a sense of closure."

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB In the Model, underline the first sentence. Circle the reason sentence. Put a star by the last sentence.

Read, Choose, Write

Source: Plant Facts

A bean seed can grow into a plant. A bean plant grows leaves. We can watch new leaves grow.

Model: My Choice

I think we should grow a bean plant. Plant Facts says we can watch new leaves grow. That is why I choose a bean plant.

Source: Two Class Jobs

The book helper puts books on the shelf. This helps us find books. The plant helper waters our class plant. Water helps the plant grow.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 What does the writer choose in the Model?

2 Why does the writer choose it? Use the reason in the Model.

3 Which words show the Model is ending?

3 YOUR TURN

____ Your own words

Read Two Class Jobs. Choose the job you think is better. Write your opinion, one reason from this source, and an ending.

My Opinion

Tell your choice. Try: I think ____ is a good class job.

My Reason

Use a fact from Two Class Jobs to tell why. Try: The source says ____.

My Ending

End with your choice. Try: That is why I choose ____.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

In the Model, underline the first sentence. Circle the reason sentence. Put a star by the last sentence. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What does the writer choose in the Model?	A bean plant.
2	Why does the writer choose it? Use the reason in the Model.	We can watch new leaves grow.
3	Which words show the Model is ending?	That is why I choose a bean plant. Accept "That is why."

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I think the book helper is a good class job. Two Class Jobs says the helper helps us find books. That is why I choose this job.

TEACHER ASSESSMENT NOTES

All source and model text is original for this worksheet. Read aloud or explain unfamiliar words as needed, then have students write their own opinion. Model marks: first sentence opinion; second sentence source-based reason; third sentence closing. In the independent task, accept either class job with a relevant reason from Two Class Jobs and a closing sentence. Spelling approximations are appropriate in Grade 1. The task asks for writing; oral rehearsal may support it but does not replace the written opinion.