Cursive Clue Hunt

Use letter shapes and nearby words to read cursive text.

4.F.H.3 "Read Cursive: Read texts written in cursive."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle each capital letter that appears within a sentence, rather than at the beginning. This helps you spot names and places when you read cursive.

Following the Monarchs

1. Each fall, monarch butterflies begin a long trip from parts of the United States and Canada to mountain forests in central Mexico. The butterflies cannot make the whole return trip alone. Several generations travel north in spring. In Mexico, they rest in oyamel fir trees, where the forest helps protect them from cold weather and wind.

2. Scientists tag some monarchs with tiny stickers that carry a code. When a person finds a tagged butterfly, the code can show where it traveled. People also count butterflies at resting places. These records help scientists learn whether the population is changing. A smaller population can mean that butterflies need safer places to feed and rest.

③ During a visit to the garden, Jordan noticed a monarch resting on purple asters. He wrote the date in a notebook and told Ms. Chen. The class watched from a distance so the butterfly could drink nectar. Later, Jordan checked a map to see which direction monarchs might travel. His careful note became part of the class garden record.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1 In paragraph 1, what two-word place name appears after "the" and before "and Canada"?

2 In paragraph 1, what word follows "oyamel"?

3 In paragraph 2, what word is directly after "tagged"?

4 In paragraph 3, what name appears twice?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose two words from the cursive passage that do not appear in the questions. Write each word in print, then write one new sentence using it.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 4 · 4.F.H.3

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle each capital letter that appears within a sentence, rather than at the beginning. This helps you spot names and places when you read cursive. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	In paragraph 1, what two-word place name appears after “the” and before “and Canada”?	**United States**
2	In paragraph 1, what word follows “oyamel”?	**fir**
3	In paragraph 2, what word is directly after “tagged”?	**butterfly**
4	In paragraph 3, what name appears twice?	**Jordan**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

nectar: Bees drank nectar from the red flowers.
population: Our town's rabbit population grew this spring.

Accept the exact passage words, including capital letters and punctuation where appropriate. For Part 3, accept any two qualifying passage words if each new sentence uses its word correctly. The supplied source is genuine connected cursive. Read it before locating or transcribing answers; offer letter-shape and context support as needed while keeping the print questions and key legible.