Ask to Learn

Use questions to understand ideas in a class talk.

2SL1.c "Ask for clarification and further explanation as needed about topics and texts under discussion."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the three questions the children ask Ms. Lee. These questions help them understand a word or ask for more explanation.

Helping Bean Plants

1. Ms. Lee told the class that their bean plants needed support. Omar raised his hand. "What does support mean for a plant?" he asked. Ms. Lee said, "It means something that helps the tall stem stay up."

2. Then Ms. Lee said, "We will tie each stem gently to a stake." Priya looked at the stake. She asked, "Can you explain what a stake is?" Ms. Lee answered, "It is a straight stick placed in the soil."

3. After that, Diego asked, "Why must the tie be gentle?" Ms. Lee explained, "A tight tie can press on the stem as it grows." Diego nodded. The class used soft strips of cloth, leaving room around each stem.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Which question helped Omar understand the word *support*?

2. What did Priya ask Ms. Lee to explain?

3. What question did Diego ask to get more information about the tie?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Discuss the bean-plant text with your teacher. Your teacher will add, "A seed needs moisture to sprout." Ask your teacher what moisture means and a question asking for more explanation about why a seed needs it. Listen to each answer; explain what is clearer now. Record one question you actually asked and what you learned.

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline the three questions the children ask Ms. Lee. These questions help them understand a word or ask for more explanation. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Which question helped Omar understand the word *support*?	**"What does support mean for a plant?"**
2	What did Priya ask Ms. Lee to explain?	**She asked what a stake is.**
3	What question did Diego ask to get more information about the tie?	**"Why must the tie be gentle?"**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I asked, "What does moisture mean?" I learned it means water. I also asked why a seed needs it and learned that water helps a seed start growing.

Accept accurate passage evidence. Lead the brief real discussion and wait for each learner's questions before answering. Explain that moisture means water and that water helps a seed begin growing; answer further questions as needed. Observe each learner asking for clarification and more explanation, receiving responses, and explaining new understanding. The written record must reflect the exchange. Support communication or scribe the learner's words; question recognition alone does not meet the discussion task.