Garden Letter Clues

Find capital letters in a model letter.

2.11.D.ix "capitalization of months, days of the week, and the salutation and conclusion of a letter;"

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle every day of the week and month name. Underline the letter's greeting and closing to show the words that need capital letters.

A Garden Letter

1. Dear Ms. Lee, On Tuesday, May 12, our class will plant seeds in the school garden. We will bring small shovels and water cans. I hope the sun shines while we work together outside.

2. On Friday, May 15, we will check the tiny plants. My partner, Ana, will measure the tallest sprout with a ruler. We will write our numbers in a chart and share what we notice.

3. Please come see our garden at school on Monday, May 18, after lunch. We will show you the green leaves and tell you how we cared for each plant. Sincerely, Jordan

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Copy the greeting at the start of the letter.

2. Copy the day and month that tell when Ms. Lee can visit the garden.

3. Copy the closing at the end of the letter.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write a three-sentence letter to a family member about a class event. Include a greeting, a day and month, and a closing. Use capital letters correctly. Then check your draft's greeting, day, month and closing. Correct any missing capitals and explain one change or one part you correctly kept.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · TEKS 2.11.D.ix

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle every day of the week and month name. Underline the letter's greeting and closing to show the words that need capital letters. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Copy the greeting at the start of the letter.	**Dear Ms. Lee,**
2	Copy the day and month that tell when Ms. Lee can visit the garden.	**Monday, May**
3	Copy the closing at the end of the letter.	**Sincerely, Jordan**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Dear Uncle Ray,
Our art show is on Thursday, June 4. Please come to our classroom at 2:00. I will show you my animal painting.
Love,
Mia

Check: I kept Thursday and June capitalized because they name a day and a month. Dear and Love begin the greeting and closing and are capitalized. If I had written june, I would correct it to June.

Accept any sensible three-sentence letter with a capitalized greeting and closing. The day of the week and month name should both begin with capital letters. Require a real capitalization check of the child's draft and one justified correction or no-change judgment. Check greeting/closing initials, day and month; do not require an error in an already correct draft.