Spaces Help Readers

Read, mark, and print words clearly

2.L.2.a "Print letters correctly and fluently. Space words and sentences properly so that writing can be read easily by others."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle the first letter of every sentence. Put a small dot in one space between words in each paragraph.

Our Seed Cups

1. On Monday, our class planted bean seeds in small cups. We wrote our names on paper tags so each cup had an owner. I printed my name slowly, with a clear shape for every letter.

2. At the window, I saw two cups side by side. One tag said Mia. The other tag said Leo. Our teacher put the cups on a sunny shelf. We could read each name without picking up a cup.

3. On Friday, a green sprout rose from Mia's cup. Leo's cup had a sprout, too. I printed a note for our class. My letters were clear, and I left spaces between words so everyone could read it.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Copy the first sentence in paragraph 1. Print clear letters and leave spaces between words.

2. Copy both names from the tags in paragraph 2. Leave a clear space between the names.

3. Copy the first two sentences in paragraph 3. Leave a space between the sentences.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about a different plant you would grow in a cup and how you would care for it. Print each letter clearly, and leave spaces between words and sentences.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.L.2.a

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Circle the first letter of every sentence. Put a small dot in one space between words in each paragraph. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Copy the first sentence in paragraph 1. Print clear letters and leave spaces between words.	**On Monday, our class planted bean seeds in small cups.**
2	Copy both names from the tags in paragraph 2. Leave a clear space between the names.	**Mia Leo**
3	Copy the first two sentences in paragraph 3. Leave a space between the sentences.	**On Friday, a green sprout rose from Mia's cup. Leo's cup had a sprout, too.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

I would grow a sunflower in a cup. I would give it water and put it by a sunny window.

For the marking job, look for circled sentence beginnings and one dot between words in each paragraph. For all writing, check that letters are legible and spaces make word and sentence breaks easy to see.