One Sound Changes

Find word pairs in a story about a backyard cafe.

2.RF.2.e "Substitute initial, final, and medial phonemes in words."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline one pair of story words that differ only in their first sound, circle one pair that differ only in their middle sound, and draw a box around one pair that differ only in their last sound.

Mia's Backyard Cafe

1. Mia and her dog went to the yard. The dog sniffed a log near the fence. Mia wore a hat. The sun was hot, so she led the dog to a shady spot.
2. Mia made a play cafe under a tree. She set a clean pan on a flat rock. The dog gave the pan a sniff. Mia gave him a pat and said, "This cafe is just for you!"
3. A small bird landed by the rock and pecked at a seed. The dog sat still as the bird flew away. Mia smiled at her new guest. Then she and her dog rested in the shade.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. Change the first sound in dog from /d/ to /l/. What word in the story do you make?

2. Change the middle sound in hat from short a to short o. What word in the story do you make?

3. Change the last sound in pan from /n/ to /t/. What word in the story do you make?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write three word pairs of your own. Make one pair by changing the first sound, one by changing the middle sound, and one by changing the last sound. Do not use pairs from the story. Label each pair.

ANSWER KEY

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GRADE 2 · 2.RF.2.e

PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Underline one pair of story words that differ only in their first sound, circle one pair that differ only in their middle sound, and draw a box around one pair that differ only in their last sound. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Change the first sound in dog from /d/ to /l/. What word in the story do you make?	**log**
2	Change the middle sound in hat from short a to short o. What word in the story do you make?	**hot**
3	Change the last sound in pan from /n/ to /t/. What word in the story do you make?	**pat**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

First: fan, man
Middle: pin, pen
Last: cap, cat

For the marking job, expected pairs are dog and log, hat and hot, and pan and pat. Accept other story pairs if exactly one sound changes in the marked position.