Island Sound Hunt

Read a story and notice vowel patterns.

3.RF.3.a "Decode and encode advanced vowel patterns, including vowel digraphs and diphthongs."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Read the story. Find green, creek, rain, boat, train, coin, cloud, and shout, then underline the letter pair that makes the vowel sound in each word.

Tracks on the Island

1 On Saturday, Mina and her dad took a boat to a small island. The sky was gray, but a strip of green grass shone near the shore. Mina spotted a creek that ran between two rocks. Rain began to tap on her coat, so they pulled the boat onto the sand. Then Mina saw tiny tracks leading away from the water.

2 The tracks led to a tiny shop built to look like a train car. A boy named Leo stood by its door with a coin in his hand. He had come to buy a snack, but he had stopped to watch the tracks. Mina and Leo followed them past the shop. They heard a sharp call from the tall grass.

3 A brown bird hopped out as a dark cloud covered the sun. Mina let out a shout, and the bird hurried back into the grass. Leo pointed to a shallow nest tucked beside a log. The bird was keeping its chicks safe. Mina and Leo stepped away so the family could rest. When the rain stopped, Mina walked back to the boat with her dad.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. In paragraph 1, which color word has the long e sound? Write it and underline the letters that spell that sound.

2. Which word in paragraph 2 names a kind of vehicle and has the same vowel sound as rain? Write it and underline the letters that spell that sound.

3. Find the word in paragraph 2 that names a piece of money. Write it and underline the letters that spell its vowel sound.

4. Which word in paragraph 3 rhymes with loud? Write it and underline the letters that spell its vowel sound.

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Write two sentences about an outdoor trip different from Mina's. Include three new words that use three different vowel patterns found in the story, and underline the pattern in each new word.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

Read the story. Find green, creek, rain, boat, train, coin, cloud, and shout, then underline the letter pair that makes the vowel sound in each word. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	In paragraph 1, which color word has the long e sound? Write it and underline the letters that spell that sound.	**gr<u>ee</u>n**
2	Which word in paragraph 2 names a kind of vehicle and has the same vowel sound as rain? Write it and underline the letters that spell that sound.	**tr<u>ai</u>n**
3	Find the word in paragraph 2 that names a piece of money. Write it and underline the letters that spell its vowel sound.	**c<u>oi</u>n**
4	Which word in paragraph 3 rhymes with loud? Write it and underline the letters that spell its vowel sound.	**cl<u>ou</u>d**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

On my hike, I saw a g<u>oa</u>t beside a tr<u>ee</u>. A m<u>ou</u>se ran across the path.

For Your Turn, accept any three new words with three different vowel patterns from the story. Each pattern should be underlined.