

Garden Play Clues

Find characters, dialogue, and setting in a short scene.

2.9.C “discuss elements of drama such as characters, dialogue, and setting;”

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline the names of the characters, circle words that tell the setting, and number each line of dialogue. These parts help show what happens in a play.

The Thirsty Sunflower

- ① At the school garden, Maya carries a small watering can. Leo holds a paper map. A bench sits beside bright tomato plants. It is Saturday morning, and birds chirp near the fence.
- ② Maya says, “The map shows a thirsty plant by the gate.” Leo points to a droopy sunflower. “Let’s give it a drink,” he says. Maya pours water slowly, and the flower lifts its yellow head.
- ③ Then Ms. Chen enters with a basket. “You found the plant that needed help,” she says. Leo smiles. “Next, we can pick ripe tomatoes for the soup table.” The three friends walk toward the red tomatoes.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE _____ Use the passage

1 Who are the characters in this scene?

2 What does Leo say after he points to the droopy sunflower?

3 Where does the scene take place? Name one detail that shows the setting.

3 YOUR TURN _____ Your own words

Write a three-line mini scene. In line 1, tell the setting and name two characters. In lines 2 and 3, write one line of dialogue for each character.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline the names of the characters, circle words that tell the setting, and number each line of dialogue. These parts help show what happens in a play. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Who are the characters in this scene?	Maya, Leo, and Ms. Chen.
2	What does Leo say after he points to the droopy sunflower?	"Let's give it a drink."
3	Where does the scene take place? Name one detail that shows the setting.	The scene takes place at the school garden. Details may include the tomato plants, bench, gate, fence, or sunflower.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

At the library after school, Nia and Omar sit by a window. Nia says, "I found a book about frogs." Omar says, "Let's read it together."

Accept character names, spoken words in quotation marks, and setting details from the passage. For Part 3, accept any clear three-line scene with a setting, two named characters, and two lines of dialogue.