

School Then Today

Use time-period words to place school events in order.

2.16.A “describe the order of events by using designations of time periods such as historical and present times;”

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline words that tell about historical times, and circle words that tell about present times. Write 1, 2, and 3 beside the paragraphs to show the order from earliest to most recent.

How Schools Changed

- ① Long ago, children in many communities went to one-room schoolhouses. Students of different ages learned in the same room. A teacher often used a bell to call everyone inside. Children wrote lessons on small slate boards instead of paper.
- ② Later, towns built larger schools with separate classrooms. In the past, some students walked a long way or rode horses to school. They used books, pencils, and paper. Schools gradually added items such as electric lights and indoor bathrooms.
- ③ Today, most students learn in classrooms with many useful tools. They may read printed books, use computers, and write with pencils. School buses carry some children to school. Even though schools have changed over time, students still learn from teachers and classmates.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 Is paragraph 1 about historical times or present times? What word tells you?

2 Put these events in order from historical times to present times: towns build larger schools, students use computers, children learn in one-room schoolhouses.

3 Is riding horses to school from historical times or present times? Is riding a school bus from historical times or present times?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Create three school events in order. Write one sentence about historical times, one sentence about a later time, and one sentence about present times.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline words that tell about historical times, and circle words that tell about present times. Write 1, 2, and 3 beside the paragraphs to show the order from earliest to most recent. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	Is paragraph 1 about historical times or present times? What word tells you?	Historical times. The word is "Long ago."
2	Put these events in order from historical times to present times: towns build larger schools, students use computers, children learn in one-room schoolhouses.	Children learn in one-room schoolhouses; towns build larger schools; students use computers.
3	Is riding horses to school from historical times or present times? Is riding a school bus from historical times or present times?	Riding horses is from historical times. Riding a school bus is from present times.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

In historical times, Maple School had one classroom. Later, it added classrooms with electric lights. Today, students use computers in their classrooms.

Accept three ordered, sensible school events that use clear time designations such as historical times, later, and today. Events may be imaginary, but the order must move from earliest to most recent.