

Leaders Near and Far

Compare how public officials lead places of different sizes.

2.9.B “compare the roles of public officials, including mayor, governor, and president;”

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1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Underline each public official's name. Circle the words that tell the size of the place each official leads.

Who Leads Where?

- ① A city playground has a broken swing. The mayor is a public official who leads the city. The mayor works with the city council and city workers. They can help decide how the city spends money to fix parks, streets, and other local places.
- ② A governor is a public official who leads a state. Suppose many towns need help after a big storm. The governor can work with state lawmakers and state workers to organize help. A governor makes choices that affect people across the whole state.
- ③ The president is a public official who leads the United States. The president works with Congress and federal workers on problems that affect the country. For example, the president may help lead the nation's response when a problem reaches many states.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 How is the place a mayor leads different from the place a governor leads?

2 Which official could help lead a response to a problem that reaches many states? Why?

3 How are the governor's and president's jobs alike and different?

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Make up a problem in a city, state, or country. In two sentences, name the official who could help and compare that official's job to one other official's job.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Underline each public official's name. Circle the words that tell the size of the place each official leads. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	How is the place a mayor leads different from the place a governor leads?	A mayor leads a city, and a governor leads a state.
2	Which official could help lead a response to a problem that reaches many states? Why?	The president, because the president leads the United States and works on problems that affect the country.
3	How are the governor's and president's jobs alike and different?	Both lead large areas and work with other officials or workers. A governor leads one state and works with state lawmakers and workers. The president leads the United States and works with Congress and federal workers.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Our city library needs a safer crosswalk, so the mayor could work with city workers to help. A governor leads a whole state, but the mayor is the best official for this city problem.

Accept any realistic problem matched to the mayor for a city, governor for a state, or president for the United States. The response should include a correct comparison of the two officials' roles or the places they lead.