Credit Clues

Notice how writers give credit for work from other sources.

5.R.1.F "Avoid plagiarism and give proper credit by providing citations whenever using another person's media, facts, ideas, graphics, music, and direct quotations."

NAME _____ DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK

Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle every citation or credit detail in the passage. Then write 1 beside a borrowed fact, 2 beside exact words, 3 beside a borrowed idea, and 4 beside a media example.

Maya's Butterfly Poster

(1) When Maya made a poster about monarch butterflies, she used a fact from the National Park Service website: Monarchs travel long distances during migration. After the fact, she wrote a citation, National Park Service, Monarch Butterflies. The citation told readers where the fact came from. Maya did not pretend she had discovered the fact herself, even though she wrote the sentence in her own words.

(2) Next, Maya wanted to use a ranger's exact words. She put the words in quotation marks and named the speaker: Ranger Elena Cruz said, "Small gardens can help hungry butterflies." She also read an article that suggested planting native flowers. Maya explained that idea in a new sentence and cited the article. Changing a few words is not enough. A citation gives credit for another person's words and ideas.

(3) Maya found a butterfly photo online for her poster. Under the photo, she listed the photographer's name, the photo title, the website, and the date she viewed it. If she added a song to a video, she would credit the musician and the song title, too. Photos, drawings, music, and videos are media made by people. Credit helps readers find the original work.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE

Use the passage

1. What fact did Maya use, and which source did she name for it?

2. How did Maya give credit when she used Ranger Elena Cruz's exact words?

3. Why is changing only a few words from an article not enough?

4. What four details did Maya list to credit the butterfly photo?

3 YOUR TURN

Your own words

Choose one fact from a book or website about an animal or place. Write two sentences: state the fact in your own words, then write a citation that names the author or organization, the source title, and the book or website.

ANSWER KEY

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PART 1 · READ AND MARK

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PART 2 · ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What fact did Maya use, and which source did she name for it?	**She used the fact that monarchs travel long distances during migration. She named the National Park Service website, Monarch Butterflies.**
2	How did Maya give credit when she used Ranger Elena Cruz's exact words?	**She put the words in quotation marks and named Ranger Elena Cruz as the speaker.**
3	Why is changing only a few words from an article not enough?	**The words or idea still belong to another person, so the writer must give credit with a citation.**
4	What four details did Maya list to credit the butterfly photo?	**The photographer's name, the photo title, the website, and the date she viewed it.**

PART 3 · YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Jupiter is the largest planet in our solar system. Citation: NASA, Jupiter, science.nasa.gov.

Accept any accurate fact that is clearly paraphrased and paired with a citation naming an author or organization, a title, and a source location. For the passage markings, accept labels that correctly identify the fact, exact quotation, borrowed idea, and media examples.