

Community Changes

Read for causes and effects in a town.

S.2.f "recognizing cause-and-effect relationships;"

NAME _____

DATE _____

1 READ AND MARK _____ Read it twice

YOUR JOB Circle each cause, and underline the effect it makes happen. This helps you notice how one event can lead to another.

Helping in Town

- ① On Monday, the town library added a low ramp beside its front steps. The ramp gave people using wheelchairs and strollers an easier way to enter. Because more people could get inside, the library became easier for all neighbors to use.
- ② On Tuesday, heavy rain filled a dip in the sidewalk near the bus stop. Because the puddle blocked the path, town workers placed a drain there. The drain let water flow away, so people could reach the bus stop without stepping in water.
- ③ On Saturday, neighbors picked up litter in the park. They put trash into bags and bins. As a result, the grass was safer for children to play on, and the park looked cleaner for everyone who visited.

2 ANSWER WITH EVIDENCE Use the passage

1 What was the immediate effect of adding the ramp at the library?

2 What caused town workers to place a drain near the bus stop?

3 Give one effect of neighbors picking up litter in the park.

3 YOUR TURN Your own words

Think of a change people made at school or in your community. In the first sentence, tell the cause. In the second sentence, tell one effect that happened because of that cause.

PART 1 • READ AND MARK

Circle each cause, and underline the effect it makes happen. This helps you notice how one event can lead to another. Accept any marking that follows this job and points at the right text.

PART 2 • ANSWERS

#	QUESTION	ANSWER
1	What was the immediate effect of adding the ramp at the library?	People using wheelchairs and strollers had an easier way to enter.
2	What caused town workers to place a drain near the bus stop?	A puddle blocked the path.
3	Give one effect of neighbors picking up litter in the park.	The grass was safer for children to play on. The park also looked cleaner.

PART 3 • YOUR TURN (SAMPLE ANSWER)

Our class planted flowers by the school door. Because of the flowers, the entrance looked brighter.

Accept answers that correctly connect a cause to an effect from the passage. For Your Turn, accept any realistic community or school example with a clear cause in the first sentence and a related effect in the second sentence.