

Grade 1 ELA Pre-Assessment Unit 5

Part 1 – Read the passages below and answer each question.

I Need Quiet!

Kahlil was trying to read his book. His window was open. He could hear Mr. Robinson's lawn mower. It was so loud! Kahlil could not read. What could he do? He closed the window. He still heard the noisy mower. He went to another room. He still heard the mower.

"I have another idea," he thought. Kahlil put in his swimmer's earplugs.

Now he could read!

Carl's Garden Problem

Carl wanted to grow a garden. Mrs. Sanchez was Carl's neighbor. She gave Carl flower seeds. Carl planted them.

Mr. Brown was Carl's neighbor too. He saw Carl planting.

"I have vegetable plants in pots," Mr. Brown said. "Would you like to plant those too?"

"Yes, thank you!" said Carl. Mr. Brown helped Carl plant the vegetables.

"My vegetables keep falling over," said Carl. Mr. Brown went to his shed. He came back with long, thin sticks.

"These are tomato stakes. They will hold the plants up," said Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown put the stakes in the ground.

"Now the plants will grow tall!" said Carl.

Part 1: Multiple choice

Use the information in the passages above to answer the questions. Circle the correct answer choice in each question.

1. What did Carl want to do?
 - a. grow a garden
 - b. buy flowers
 - c. talk with his neighbors

2. What did Kahlil use to block the lawn mower noise that solved his problem?
 - a. He closed the window.
 - b. He went into another room.
 - c. He used swimmer's earplugs to block the noise.

3. Both Kahlil and Carl had a problem to solve. Which one of the following is true about the characters?
 - a. Both Kahlil and Carl tried several ways to solve their problems.
 - b. Kahlil solved his problem by himself, while Carl had help from his neighbors.
 - c. Both Kahlil and Carl had neighbors who helped them.

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4. In the story "Carl's Garden Problem", what is the meaning of the word "stakes"?

- a. A big piece of meat
- b. long, thin sticks
- c. a kind of tomato

Part 2: Writing

Write a narrative about a time when you had a problem that you needed to solve. Use details to explain what happened and how it was solved. Use temporal words in your writing.

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Answer Key

1. A
2. A
3. B
4. B

Part 2: Answers may vary

The student writes a sentence (1 point) about a problem they had.

The student writes a sentence (1 point) about how the problem was solved or what they did to try to solve the problem. (sequence events)

The student uses temporal words (1 point).

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