

Grade 2 grammar nouns and verbs — spring

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English

spring

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Students will be able to identify and use nouns and verbs in sentences about a spring adventure.

Name: _____ Date: _____

Read the story about Leo. Then answer each question by circling the best answer or writing on the line.

READ THE PASSAGE

Leo wanted to find a hidden treasure in the spring garden. He grabbed his small, golden shovel and ran outside. Leo dug in the soft mud near the big oak tree. He found a bright blue robin egg tucked in the roots. Leo held the egg gently and smiled. He set the egg back in a cozy nest of leaves. Leo learned that some treasures are best left in nature.

1. What is the main idea of this passage?

- A) Leo plays in the rain.
- B) Leo hunts for hidden treasure and finds a robin egg in the spring garden.
- C) Leo loses his golden shovel in the mud.
- D) Leo plants seeds near a big oak tree.

2. In the passage, the word 'gently' tells us how Leo did something. What does 'gently' most likely mean?

- A) In a soft and careful way.
- B) In a fast and loud way.
- C) In a sad and tired way.
- D) In a rough and quick way.

3. In the sentence 'Leo dug in the soft mud,' which word is the verb?

- A) Leo
- B) soft
- C) mud
- D) dug

4. What caused Leo to smile in the passage?

- A) Leo found his golden shovel.
- B) Leo saw the big oak tree bloom.
- C) Leo found a bright blue robin egg in the roots.
- D) Leo heard a robin sing a song.

5. Why did the author most likely write this passage?

- A) To teach readers how to plant a garden.
- B) To tell a funny joke about mud.
- C) To explain how robins build nests.
- D) To show that nouns and verbs tell a story, and that some treasures should be left alone.

6. Which sentence from the passage best supports the idea that Leo was careful with his rare find?

- A) 'Leo held the egg gently and smiled.'
- B) 'Leo dug in the soft mud near the big oak tree.'
- C) 'He grabbed his small, golden shovel and ran outside.'
- D) 'Leo wanted to find a hidden treasure in the spring garden.'

7. Why did Leo set the robin egg back in the nest of leaves?

- A) Leo was afraid of the big oak tree.
- B) Leo did not think the egg was pretty.
- C) Leo learned that some treasures are best left in nature.
- D) Leo wanted to find a bigger hidden treasure instead.

8. In your own words, describe what Leo learned on his spring adventure. Use at least one noun and one verb from the passage in your answer.

Answer Key — Grade 2 grammar nouns and verbs — spring

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After Q6, hold up the sentence 'Leo digs in the soft mud' from the passage and ask students to point to the noun (Leo, mud) and the verb (digs). This anchor moment connects the passage directly to the grammar skill and gives struggling students a concrete model before Q7 and Q8.

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✓ C

- 8 In your own words, describe what Leo learned on his spring adventure. Use at least one noun and one verb from the passage in your answer.

✓ **Model answer: Leo learned that the robin egg was a treasure that needed to stay safe in nature. He held the egg gently and set it back in the nest, which shows that Leo was kind and caring. The noun 'egg' and the verb 'held' help tell the story of what Leo discovered.**