

Clue Me In!

Find it. Connect it. Prove it. Students use the DECADES context clues to find the sentence that answers the question, name the clue, and defend the answer.



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Grades 3 to English II

A New Path for Water

REALISTIC FICTION WITH A SOCIAL STUDIES CONCEPT . LEVEL 1

1 Lena's farming community stood on a dry plain. For many weeks, little rain had fallen. Water for the fields was scarce, not plentiful. There was too little to give every row of corn a good soaking. Lena frowned at the curled leaves. "Will we have enough corn to eat?" she asked. Dad pointed toward a stream above the fields. "The water is there, but it does not flow through our farms." Lena remembered visiting her cousin's rainy town, where gardens grew with water from frequent showers. Here, families needed another way to water their crops.

2 The neighbors decided to use irrigation, the practice of bringing water to land to help plants grow. They dug a main ditch from the stream and smaller ditches leading to each field. "These ditches are like roads for water," Dad explained. "One main road connects to smaller roads that reach different homes." Lena carried loose stones away while the adults dug. When they opened a small gate, some stream water flowed downhill through the ditches.

THE INSIDE OF THE GAME

A passage beside a question. Pick the sentence that best proves the answer.

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WHAT STUDENTS DO

- Read a short passage, then pick the sentence that best proves the answer to the question.
- Name the DECADES clue the evidence uses: Definition, Synonyms and Antonyms, Comparison and Cause and Effect, and more.
- Finish the frame out loud and on screen, so the answer is defended, not guessed.

WHAT TEACHERS GET

Reports. Each mission scores the evidence, the clue, and the frame, and lands in your dashboard by student identifier, never a real name.

Three levels. Level 1 to Level 3 rise in difficulty, with a retry on the evidence and a coach on the clue.

TEKS. Vocabulary, inference, and text evidence TEKS from Grades 3 to English II (listed below).

Access. Read aloud for the passage and directions, plus a DECADES key on the page for reference.

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FIND IT

Pick the best evidence sentence.

E Emotions

C Comparison and Cause and Effect

A Actions of the Character

D Definition/Explanation

E Environment/Setting

CONNECT IT

Name the DECADES clue.

Mission Complete!

Evidence: 1 of 1 on the first try
DECADES clues: 1 of 1 on the first try

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Step 1: Pick the best evidence sentence. Next Step: explain why a text evidence fails, then try the next level.

MISSION REPORT

Evidence, clue, and frame scored.

Built like the **STAAR/SST** reading test: one passage, one question, and evidence the student must find, name, and defend.

TEKS COVERED

GRADES 3 TO ENGLISH II, TEXAS READING

Grades 3 to 5: 3.3(B), 3.6(F), 3.7(C), 4.3(B), 4.6(F), 4.7(C), 5.3(B), 5.6(F), 5.7(C). **Grades 6 to 8:** 6.2(B), 6.5(F), 6.6(C), 7.2(B), 7.5(F), 7.6(C), 8.2(B), 8.5(F), 8.6(C). **English I and II:** EI 2(B), 4(F), 5(C); EII 2(B), 4(F), 5(C).

STUDENT SUPPORTS AT EVERY LEVEL

Stuck? Every step gives one more try with a coach. Think again tells the student why a pick misses, and the mission report shows how much support each student needed.

THINK AGAIN

The stream is far from the farms, but **scarce** tells how much water there is, not where it is.

You have one more try.

THINK AGAIN COACH WHEN A PICK MISSES.

How to get it

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