

Mark it up!

Read a classic extract closely, annotate it and learn its tricky words.

ISSUE
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NAME _____ CLASS _____ DATE _____

LEARNING GOAL

Read closely and explain how a writer shows hard work.

SUCCESS CRITERIA

- ☐ I can use a glossary to understand tricky words.
- ☐ I can mark up a text and write margin notes.
- ☐ I can give evidence with its line number.

1 Read and mark up the extract

READ

Read the extract twice: once aloud, once in your head. Make the three marks in pencil, then write a margin note beside each mark. Line 1 is done for you.

A Hard work. Underline words that show effort.

B The list. Box each thing he uses or climbs on.

C Pace. Circle each comma and semicolon.

LINE From *The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame (1908)

MARGIN NOTES

1 **T**he Mole had been working very hard
 2 all the morning, spring-cleaning his
 3 little home. First with brooms, then
 4 with dusters; then on ladders and
 5 steps and chairs, with a brush and a
 6 pail of whitewash; till he had dust in
 7 his throat and eyes, and splashes of
 8 whitewash all over his black fur, and
 9 an aching back and weary arms.

Example: A, he never stops

WORD FILE: GLOSSARY

dusters LINE 4
cloths for dusting

weary LINE 9
very tired

pail LINE 6
a bucket

whitewash LINES 6, 8
a white liquid mix used to paint walls

spring-cleaning LINE 2
a thorough clean of a home

My tricky word



Find the evidence

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2 Answer with evidence

CHECK

11 marks

Use the extract on page 1. Copy your evidence exactly and write the line number in the box.

a How long had the Mole been working? Tick one.

1 mark

☐ for an hour
 ☐ all the morning
 ☐ all day
 ☐ all night

b Name three things the Mole cleaned or painted with.

3 marks

1 _____ 2 _____ 3 _____

c Find and copy one phrase that shows the work was messy.

2 marks

EVIDENCE FROM THE TEXT

LINE

d How does the Mole feel by the end of the extract? Explain how you know.

2 marks

EVIDENCE

LINE

e Why do you think the second sentence (lines 3 to 9) is so long?

3 marks

EVIDENCE

LINE

3 Write like Grahame

WRITE

4 marks

Write the next sentence: what does the Mole do now? Use the recipe on the right.

STYLE RECIPE

- ☐ One long sentence
- ☐ A list of jobs
- ☐ Commas and a semicolon
- ☐ End with feelings