Author's Purpose

Grade 2 Reading Worksheet

Name _____ Date _____

Read the text. Circle the best answer.

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A Letter From Room 14

Dear Neighbors,

Our class has a big idea, and we need your help. Please join us for a clean-up day at Maple Park on Saturday morning. We will meet by the swings at nine o'clock.

Maple Park has a pond, a playground, and a long walking path. Last week, our class walked the path and counted forty pieces of trash. We found bottles near the pond and wrappers under the slide.

We think a clean park is a better park for everyone. Trash can hurt the ducks that swim in the pond. Broken glass can cut a child's hand or a dog's paw.

The town will give out gloves and trash bags. Just bring a water bottle and wear old shoes. The work will take about one hour, and families can work as a team.

Please come and help us make Maple Park shine! We hope to see you there.

Your friends in Room 14 at Pine Hill School

1. How is this letter different from a text that only teaches facts?
   It has talking animals in it.
   It explains how parks are built.
   It asks readers to do something.

2. What does the author ask readers to bring?
   a water bottle old gloves a lunch box

3. Why does the letter say the work will take about one hour?
   to tell when the ducks come out to swim
   to show that the park is very big and wide
   to show that helping will not take long

4. Why did the class write this letter?
   to get readers to help clean up the park
   to tell a funny made-up story about the park
   to teach readers how ducks swim in ponds

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