

My Informative Writing Checklist

Project Treehouse

Name: _____

Date: _____

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Write an introduction	I can use a topic sentence to introduce my topic.			
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Make changes	I can choose words and phrases to make my writing exciting and interesting.			
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2nd Grade Informative Writing Rubric

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W.2.2 Writes a concluding sentence or section that reviews the most important part of the writing.					
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Fish-tank Designer

Name: _____

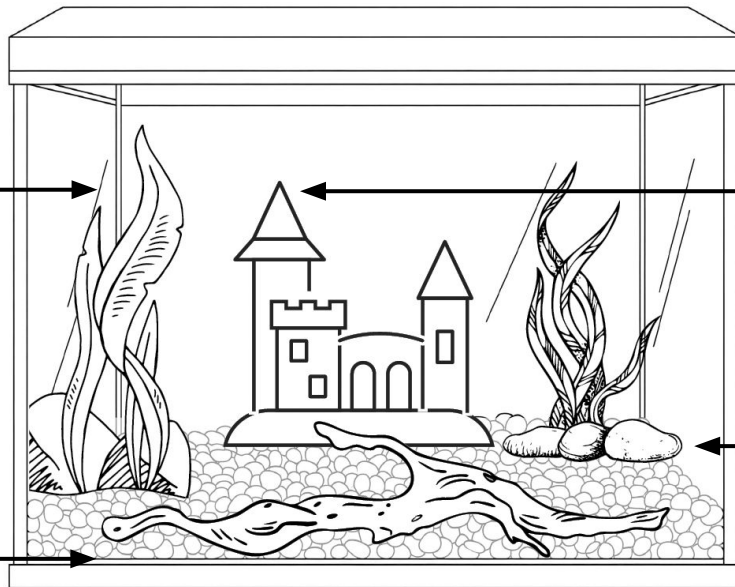
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Planning Directions

- 1) Pick two parts that Sophie added to the new fish tank.
- 2) Fill in the sentences below with the parts and explain why they were added based on the definitions.

Plants — can help clean the water.

Driftwood — is a log that can be a hiding place.



A castle — is a fun place for fish to explore.

Rocks — is a place to hide and rest.

This fish tank has _____.

It _____.

This fish tank also has _____.

It _____.

Fish-tank Designer

Name: _____

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Writing Directions: Pick two parts that Sophie added to the new fish tank. Write about the parts and explain how they work.

In your writing, remember to:

- ☐ Write an introduction. What is your writing about?
- ☐ Add two parts and how they work.
- ☐ Write a conclusion. What are the most important parts of your writing to review?
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Word Bank

Treehouse Words

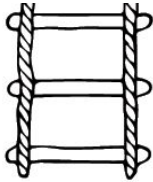
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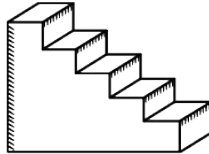
Treehouse Parts



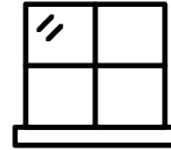
pulley



rope ladder



staircase



window



observation
deck



slide

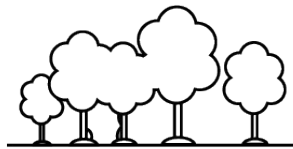
Helpful Words



sunlight



birds



trees



stars



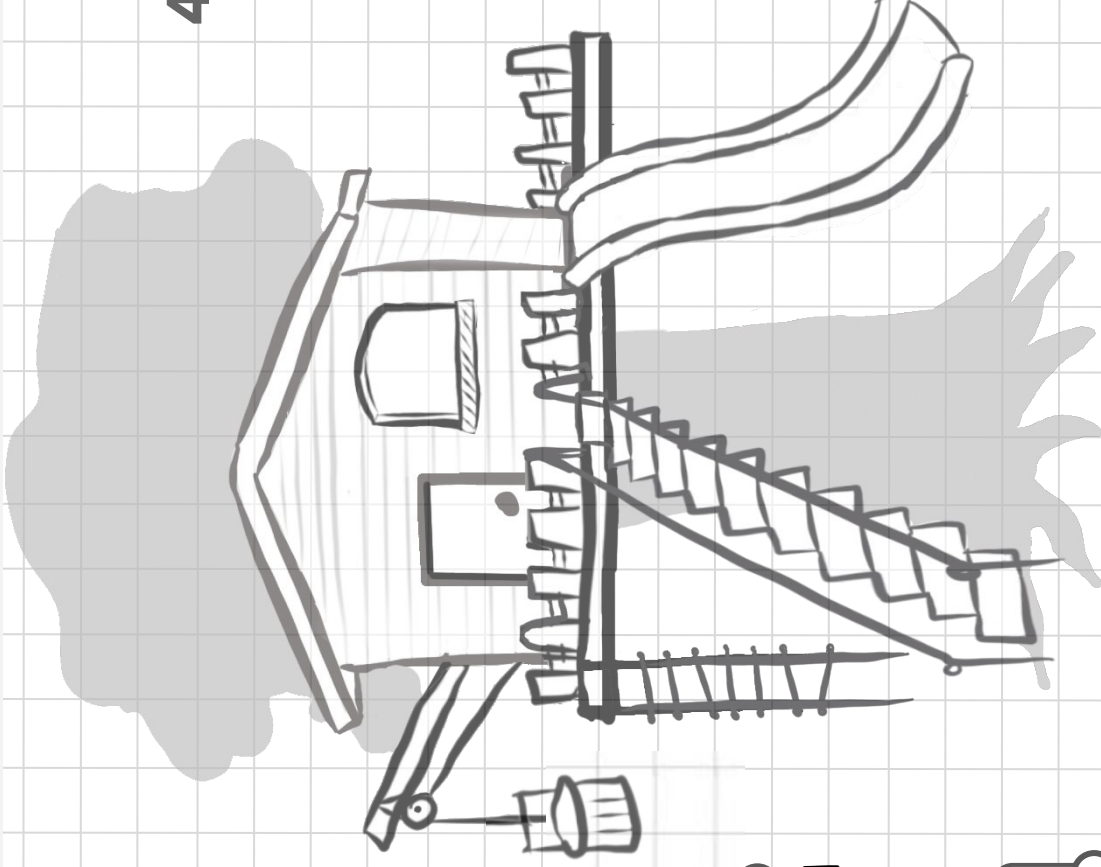
fresh air

Treehouse Diagram

Name: _____

Date: _____

V.I.P.



1. _____

it helps lift supplies
into the treehouse

2. _____

it's a way to climb in and
out of the treehouse

3. _____

it's a way to walk up
and down safely

4. _____

it's an opening that lets in

5. _____

it's a flat spot to stand
on and look out to see

6. _____

mystery

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Choose Your Client

Name: _____

Date: _____



Client #1

★ Nora

- likes adventures
- likes to climb
- likes being outside



Client #2

★ Elliot

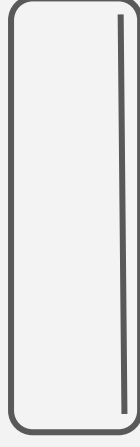
- uses lots of art supplies
- likes bright, indoor spaces
- doesn't like climbing



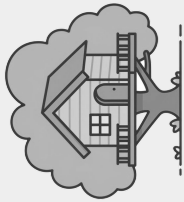
1.

The first part is a

because



2.



Treehouse Final Design



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By: _____ For: _____

Client

Name

I designed a treehouse for



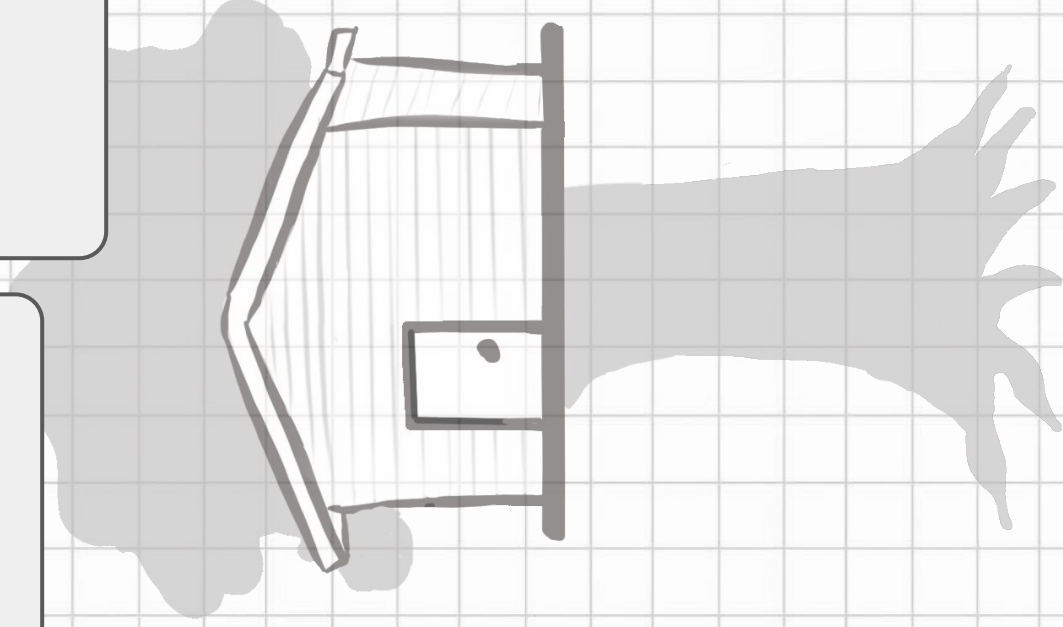
Treehouse Blueprint

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Playground Designer

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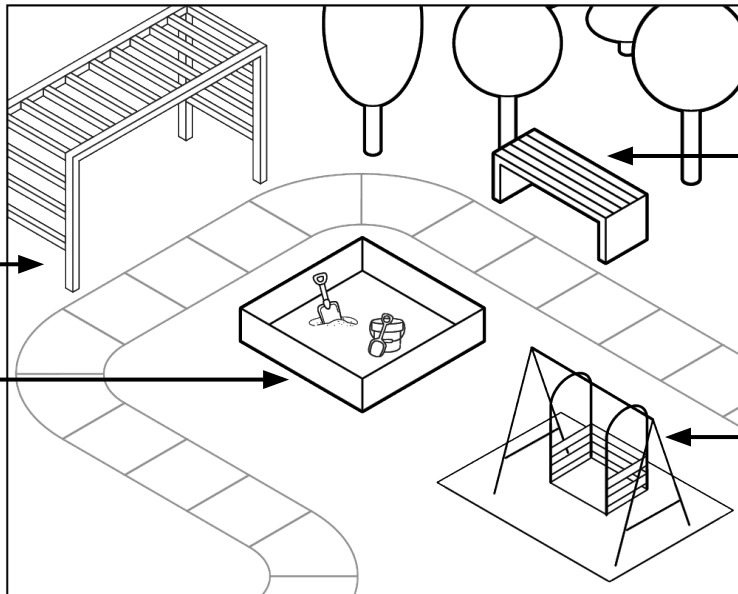
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Planning Directions

- 1) Pick two parts that Don added to the playground design.
- 2) Fill in the sentences below with the parts and explain why they were added based on the definitions.

Monkey bars – help kids build strength while they swing across.

Sandbox – is a place to dig and build with sand.



Shaded bench – is a cool place to rest out of the sun.

Wheelchair swing – lets kids in wheelchairs enjoy swinging safely.

This playground has _____.

It _____.

This playground also has _____.

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