

Sample Answers

Assignment: Building Green: Multi-Paragraph Response

Collection: Differentiated Content: Information: Elementary School

Use the following answers as a reference while guiding students and grading student work. Keep in mind that answers will vary and this is just one way to correctly complete the assignment.

Plan Your Informative Essay

Step 1. Read the article carefully. Highlight important details in **YELLOW**.

Review the Reading & Prompt
<p>What is the main idea of the reading?</p> <p>People are building schools from recycled plastic blocks in one African country.</p>
<p>What is the prompt asking you to do?</p> <p>This prompt asks me to write an Informative Essay about how the new recycling project helps solve two problems.</p>

Step 2. Use quotes and your own words to complete the Planner. Consider your **YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS**.

Introduction
<p>Hook: Grab your readers' attention.</p> <p>It might be hard to imagine, but you can build a classroom from plastic trash!</p>
<p>Central Idea: State the big idea your essay will be about.</p> <p>The article explains that people in Côte d'Ivoire are recycling their plastic trash into building blocks to build more schools.</p>
<p>Transition Sentence: List the two topics you will focus on in your body paragraphs.</p> <p>The new project helps solve the plastic trash problem. It also helps solve the problem of not having enough schools.</p>

Body Paragraph #1

Topic Sentence: State the main idea of this paragraph.

The new project is helping Côte d'Ivoire solve its plastic trash problem by recycling more of the trash into building blocks .

Text Evidence: What the Article Says

One quote that supports this topic is "Côte d'Ivoire's biggest city, Abidjan, creates more than 300 tons of plastic trash a day, and only about 5% of it is recycled."

Text Analysis: What This Quote Tells Me

This quote tells me that Côte d'Ivoire has a big plastic trash problem.

Another quote that supports this topic is the bricks "will be made from trash collected locally. The environmental impact is huge. UNICEF says it takes about five and a half tons of plastic to build a classroom."

This quote tells me the new project helps solve the trash problem by turning local trash into bricks. Those bricks are used to build classrooms.

Body Paragraph #2

Topic Sentence: State the main idea of this paragraph.

The new project is also helping improve children's access to education by building more schools.

Text Evidence: What the Article Says

One quote that supports this topic is "More than 1½ million children in Côte d'Ivoire don't go to school. That's according to UNICEF. One reason? There aren't enough classrooms.".

Text Analysis: What This Quote Tells Me

This quote tells me there are not enough classrooms to educate all the children.

Another quote that supports this topic is "At press time, UNICEF had built 27 classrooms in Côte d'Ivoire. It plans to have 528 built by the end of 2021.".

This quote tells me that the recycling project is helping build more places for kids to go to school.

Conclusion

Restate your main idea using different words.

In conclusion, the article "Building Green" explains that recycling plastic trash into building blocks is helping to reduce the plastic trash problem. It's also helping to make it possible for more kids go to school.

End with a question or final thought to leave readers thinking about what you wrote.

Imagine what else we can do with things people throw away.

Step 3. Click 'Check & Submit.' Then draft your Informative Paragraph.

Fill in information from your Planner to write your Informative Essay.

Building Green

It might be hard to imagine, but a classroom can be built from plastic trash!. The article "Building Green" explains that people in Côte d'Ivoire are recycling their plastic trash into building blocks for building classrooms. This essay will tell about how this recycling project helps the country solve its plastic trash problem and its problem with access to education.

One problem the recycling project helps solve is the country's plastic trash problem. The article states that "Côte d'Ivoire's biggest city, Abidjan, creates more than 300 tons of plastic trash a day, and only about 5% of it is recycled.". But this new project helps solve this problem by turning local trash into bricks. Those bricks are used to build classrooms.

Another problem the recycling project helps solve is that not all of the children are able to go to school. According to the article, there aren't enough classrooms to educate all the children. However, using the recycled plastic blocks, the community will be able to build more than 500 classrooms so that more children can go to school.

In conclusion, the article "Building Green" explains that recycling plastic trash into building blocks is helping to reduce the plastic trash problem in Côte d'Ivoire. It's also helping to make it possible for more kids go to school. Imagine what other problems around the world could be solved by recycling trash!.