Read and discover

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Name: _____ Date: _____

Understand the idea

Read once for the main idea. Read again to find the detail or evidence needed for each answer.
Example: A question beginning Why needs a reason supported by the text.
Read the original text. Answer all questions using the information given. Write short answers unless a question asks for more.
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The first notice called the new community room a space for everyone. Yet its opening hours appeared only on a handwritten sheet inside the locked entrance. A resident who worked late could not read them before the room closed. At a meeting, the organiser listened without defending the original plan. Volunteers moved the timetable to an outside board, added a contact number and offered one evening opening each week. They did not claim the problem was completely solved. Instead, they invited residents to explain what still prevented them from attending. Within a month, the comments had become more specific. People were no longer arguing about whether the room was welcoming in principle; they were discussing practical changes that could make the welcome real.
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Try it yourself

1. What made the timetable difficult to access?

2. Why was this especially difficult for one resident?

3. Name two changes volunteers made.

4. What did organisers avoid claiming?

5. Explain the contrast in the final sentence.

6. Summarise the passage in 35-45 words.

Build better sentences

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Understand the idea

Read the whole sentence. Check who or what it is about, the time, and how the words fit together.
Example: She plays every day. Yesterday she played.
Complete each activity. Check meaning, grammar, spelling and punctuation. Say your corrected sentences aloud.
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Try it yourself

1. Rewrite using although: The notice was online. Some residents did not see it.

2. Change to passive: The organiser confirmed the booking.

3. Correct: Each of the visitors have a question.

4. Write a polite request for further information.

5. Choose a precise alternative to "a lot of stuff" in the context of a workshop.

6. Explain why purpose and audience affect a writer's language.