

Why Plants Need Water

Read the text. Then answer the questions on the next page.

- ① Plants need water to live. They drink it with their roots.
- ② Rain soaks into the dirt. The roots are in the dirt, so they take in the water.
- ③ Some days there is no rain. A plant droops because it has no water. Its leaves hang down.
- ④ You can help. Plants inside get no rain, so we water them. The plants get a drink, so they stand up tall again.



Why Plants Need Water: Questions

Go back to the text to find your proof. Underline it in the color shown.

1. Why does a plant droop?

red

- ☐ It is too tall.
- ☐ It has no water.
- ☐ It is sleepy.

2. Why do we water plants that are inside?

orange

- ☐ They are dirty.
- ☐ They are too big.
- ☐ They get no rain.

3. Finish the chart. A cause is why something happens. An effect is what happens.

CAUSE

The roots are in the dirt.



EFFECT

CAUSE



EFFECT

The plant droops.

4. What happens when the plants get a drink?

yellow

Why Plants Need Water: Answer Key

Answers are in green. The proof is where to find each answer in the text.

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Proof Paragraph 3: “A plant droops because it has no water.”

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Proof Paragraph 4: “Plants inside get no rain, so we water them.”

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EFFECT

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CAUSE

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