

► Read the e-mail letter. Then circle the letter of the best answer to each question.

TO: Malika@fastmail.com  
FROM: Alice@fastmail.com  
SUBJECT: Grandpa and Mo



Dear Malika,  
My trip to New York has been so interesting! I can't wait to tell our classmates about it when I get back. I've seen many different sights in the city. But today's event was the most special of all. I visited my grandpa. He introduced me to his friend Mo. Mo is not a person. She is a "visiting dog" who has a very important job. She cheers people up who might be sad, sick, or lonely. Mo visits my grandpa one day every week, and he seems very happy about it. I can see why. She is a very friendly dog. I was not at all fearful about meeting her.  
See you soon.  
Alice

1 What familiar word do you see in the word *interesting*?  
A *inter*                      C *esting*  
B *interest*                    D *ing*

**Tip**  
Cover word parts at the beginning or ending with your finger.

2 What two words make up the word *classmates*?  
F *class* and *ate*            H *class* and *mates*  
G *room* and *mates*        J *class* and *room*

**Tip**  
Look for familiar smaller words inside the word *classmates*.

3 Which correctly separates the word *different* into shorter parts, called syllables?  
A *diff-ere-nt*                C *differ-ent*  
B *di-ff-er-ent*                D *dif-fer-ent*

**Tip**  
When two or more consonants appear in the middle of a word, divide between them.

**Skill Reminder** • A **possessive noun** tells who or what something belongs to.  
• A **singular possessive noun** shows ownership by one person or thing. Add an apostrophe (') and an s to a singular noun to show ownership.

► Circle the possessive noun in each sentence.

1. A visiting dog's job is to make people happy.
2. Many dogs went to the trainer's class.
3. Rosie lay near the girl's bed.
4. The dog tried to eat the boy's food.
5. Bill's room was very quiet.



► Rewrite each phrase using singular possessive nouns.

6. the tail of the dog \_\_\_\_\_
7. the pet that belongs to the girl \_\_\_\_\_
8. the class of the teacher \_\_\_\_\_
9. the chair owned by the woman \_\_\_\_\_
10. the food of the man \_\_\_\_\_



Think of a pet that you, a friend, or a relative owns. Write three sentences about that pet. Use a different singular possessive noun in each sentence.