Name



Library Lifeline

Directions: Read the passage carefully. Respond to each prompt in **complete sentences**. Use **evidence from the text** to support your ideas. Be ready to share and discuss your responses with others after writing.

The Volunteer Project

When the local library announced it would be closing on weekends due to budget cuts, many people in town were upset. Jordan suggested organizing student volunteers to help keep the library open for at least a few hours. At first, his classmates doubted whether anyone would actually come to read or study. Despite their doubts, Jordan made a schedule and signed up the first shift himself. On the very first Saturday, families, students, and even older residents showed up, grateful for the extra hours. The volunteers took turns shelving books, reading to children, and helping with homework. By the end of the month, the library had become busier than before. Jordan realized that sometimes the best ideas are the ones people believe in enough to try.

Discussion Prompts

- 1. Why do you think Jordan's classmates were doubtful about his idea at first?
- 2. How did Jordan's actions prove that one person can make a difference?
- 3. What do you think was the most meaningful outcome of the library staying open on weekends?
- 4. If you were part of Jordan's class, would you have volunteered? Why or why not?
- 5. How does this story connect to the importance of community service in the real world?

