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Grade: 3 Reading

Theme Two Selection: 4

"Dancing Rainbows

Read the selection.

Then, answer the following questions.

1. What do the movements of the Eagle Dance seem to imitate?

- a) An airplane flying in the sky.
- b) Birds like Eagles landing and taking off.
- c) Windmills turning in the wind.
- d) Kites bobbing in the wind.

2. This story is mainly about...

- a) A family that loves to create beautiful cloths.
- b) A boy who loves to predict the weather.
- c) What Pueblo children love to do for Halloween.
- d) Traditions of the Pueblo Indians.

3. Which of the following is NOT a detail from this story?

- a) Dancing, rain, and rainbows are important to Curt and his family.
- b) Curt's family has appeared on "Dancing with the Stars".
- c) Andy teaches Curt many family traditions.
- d) Dancing is an important part of the history of the Pueblo Indians.

4. Read this sentence from the selection.

"Andy is an elder in his tribe."

- a) a child
- b) an airplane
- c) someone who is older and wiser
- d) eager

5. Which of the following is NOT a fact from the story?

- a) This is the best story I have ever read.
- b) This is a Pueblo boy's story
- c) San Juan Pueblo is named after St. John.
- d) Pueblo is a Spanish word for town.

6. The genre of this selection is

- a) nonfiction
- b) poem
- c) autobiography
- d) realistic fiction

7. What is the setting of this story?

- a) An Indian reservation in North Dakota
- b) The Nevada Desert
- c) The grasslands in Africa
- d) San Juan Pueblo New Mexico

8. Why does Curt respect his Grandpa?

- a) he is grouchy and quiet
- b) he is shy
- c) he is very wise
- d) he is angry and tired

9. Which event happened last in the story?

- a) Andy gets married.
- b) Andy started a dance group for Curt and other young dancers.
- c) Andy gave up dancing.
- d) Andy teaches his own child to dance.

Open-ended Response

Think about Curt and his Grandfather in the selection, "Dancing Rainbows". They have a very close relationship. Compare their relationship with a relationship you have with someone. Give at least two examples of things you have learned from that person. Use two examples from the story.

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Theme 2 Selection 2 "Dancing Rainbows"
Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	b	inference	R3.A.1.3
2	d	summarize	R3.A.2.5
3	b	main idea	R3.A.1.4
4	c	vocabulary	R3.A.2.1
5	a	fact/opinion	R3.B.3.1
6	a	Genre	R3.B.2.6
7	d	Setting	R3.B.1.1
8	c	Character	R3.B.1.1
9	b	Plot	R3.B.1.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 Points

Paragraph describes the relationship between Curt and his grandfather, compares that relationship to a personal relationship and uses two examples from the story to support

2 Points

Paragraph describes the relationship between Curt and his grandfather, compares that relationship to a personal relationship and uses one examples from the story to support.

1 Point

Paragraph describes the relationship between Curt and his grandfather, compares that relationship to a personal relationship but uses no examples from the story to support.

0 Points

Response provides insufficient material for scoring, is inaccurate, or incomplete