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Grade: 5      Reading

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Theme Five Selection: 3

"Black Cowboy, Wild Horses"

Read the selection.

Then, answer the following questions.

1. According to the story, Bob Lemmons could look at hoof prints and learn...

- a) when it would rain again.
- b) where the herd was going.
- c) if there was a river nearby.
- d) whether there was grazing land nearby.

2. Read this sentence from the story.

"Far, far away, at what looked to be the edge of the world, the land and sky kissed."

This is an example of...

- a) a similie
- b) personification
- c) sound words
- d) alliteration

3. Which words **best** describe Lemmons while he is tracking the mustangs?

- a) timid and patient
- b) proud and impatient
- c) patient and persistent
- d) reckless and persistent

4. Lemmons doesn't kill the rattlesnake because...

- a) he wants to care for the hurt colt.
- b) he doesn't want to scare away the horses.
- c) he is afraid of being bitten by the rattlesnake.
- d) he feels the rattlesnake has a right to protect itself.

5. Read the sentence below.

"Lightning flickered from within them like candle flames shivering in a breeze."

The word flickered means that the lightning...

- a) shone dimly.
- b) moved unsteadily.
- c) did not move.
- d) shone brightly.

6. The genre of this selection is...

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

7. Another definition for the word **ravine** is...

- a) stallion
- b) bluff
- c) deep valley
- d) skittered

8. What mood is created in the first paragraph on page 532?

- a) sad and bewildered
- b) tense and excited
- c) scared and upset
- d) happy and carefree

9. Why doesn't Bob Lemmons ride Warrior into the corral?

- a) Warrior is injured.
- b) Warrior is sad.
- c) Warrior likes freedom so much.
- d) Warrior is afraid of people.

## Open-ended Response

Think about the struggles that Bob Lemmons had to endure in order to be a “black” cowboy. Discuss some of the struggles Bob Lemmons faced and use at least two examples from the story to back up your answer.

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**Answer Key and Eligible Content**

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	b	Inference	R5.A.2.5.1
2	b	Figurative Language	R5.B.2.2.1
3	c	Mood	R5.A.2.3.1
4	d	Inference	R5.A.2.7.1
5	b	Vocabulary	R5.A.2.2.2
6	c	Genre	R5.A.1.6
7	c	Vocabulary	R5.A.2.1
8	b	Mood	R5.A.2.3.1
9	c	Inference	R5.A.2.5.1

**Open-ended Rubric**

**3 Points**

Paragraph describes the struggles that Bob endures as a "black" cowboy and uses at least 2 examples from the story.

**2 Points**

Paragraph describes the struggles that Bob endures as a "black" cowboy and uses at least 1 example from the story.

**1 Point**

Paragraph describes the struggles that Bob endures as a "black" cowboy without using examples from the story.

**0 Points**

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