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Grade: 6 Reading

Date _____

Theme 5 Selection: 2

“Under the Royal Palms”

Read the selection.

Then, answer the following questions.

1. When was the problem of keeping up with the expenses at La Quinta Simoni solved?

- a) when Virginia and Mireya went to work in Havana
- b) when Alma's mother opened her first business
- c) when the family bought a jewelry store in town and lived behind the store
- d) when only two couples remained to live there

2. Why do you think some people looked through the store windows without coming in?

- a) They did not see exactly what they wanted.
- b) They knew they could not afford the things inside.
- c) They did not want to buy from new shop owners.
- d) They already had plenty of figurines at home.

3. What is the first step to making plaster figurines?

- a) making clay models of figurines
- b) pouring plaster into molds
- c) making hinged wooden boxes
- d) making plaster molds

4. A definition of certified is...

- a) be very sure of oneself
- b) copy long columns
- c) work only at home
- d) meet certain requirements

5. Which statement is a fact?

- a) Models for figurines are difficult to create.
- b) Alma was the best character ever.
- c) Dad made the models for the figurines.
- d) The jewelry store was the dirtiest place in Latin America.

6. This statement "It took a lifetime to make one figurine" is an example of?

- a) hyperbole
- b) simile
- c) metaphor
- d) onomatopoeia

7. Which point of view is this story told from?

- a) first person
- b) second person
- c) third person
- d) narrator

8. The following is a solution to what problem: They bought a jewelry store to run, and lived in the store building.

- a) They were looking for a family business.
- b) The family didn't have enough money to keep up the big family house.
- c) The family lost their boating business.
- d) The family's home was washed away in a flood.

9. Which of the following statements is an opinion?

- a) Dad created molds for the figurines.
- b) The jewelry store was the best store in Latin America.
- c) Father learned how to fix watches.
- d) Mother searched for inexpensive figures to sell.

Open-ended Response

Alma Flor Ada and Jackie Joyner-Kersey both wrote stories about important childhood events. What do you think each learned from these events? Give 1 example for each and provide details from the stories to support your examples.

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Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	c	Problem/solution	R6.B.3.3.1
2	b	Inference	R6.A.2.3.1
3	a	Sequence	R6.B.3.3.1
4	d	Synonym	R6.A.2.1.2
5	c	Fact/Opinion	R6.B.3.1.1
6	a	Figurative Lang.	R6.B.2.1
7	a	Point of View	R6.B.2.2.1
8	b	Problem/Solution	R6.B.3.3.1
9	b	Fact/Opinion	R6.B.3.1.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 Points

Paragraph describes both mentioned characters and gives 1 example with supporting details for both.

2 Points

Paragraph describes both mentioned characters and gives 1 example without supporting details.

1 Point

Paragraph describes 1 mentioned character and/or gives 1 example with supporting details.

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