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Grade: 6 Reading

Date _____

Theme Five Selection: 3

"Chuck Close Up Close"

Read the selection.

Then, answer the following questions.

1. To clearly see the image portrayed in one of Close's paintings, what must the viewer do?

- a) Stand back from the painting.
- b) See the painting in the museum.
- c) Look very closely at the shapes.
- d) Wear protective glasses.

2. Close painted a portrait of his daughter Georgia. What is a portrait?

- a) A painting created from dots of color
- b) A black-and-white photograph
- c) Artwork showing a person
- d) A painting created using thumbprints

3. To keep himself from making "the same old colors" on his palette, he found a way to mix color directly on the canvas. A palette is a kind of _____.

- a) Board for mixing paints
- b) Collection of paintings
- c) Tray of water colors
- d) Blank Canvas

4. Read this sentence from the selection.

Step close to the canvas, and you see hundreds of little abstract paintings --- multicolored ovals and gaudy squares, amebas swimming before your eyes.

In this sentence, what does the word abstract mean?

- a) Including bright colors
- b) Not representing an image
- c) Not arranged in order
- d) Showing Real things

5. Which statement best describes why "putting rocks in my shoes" is important to Chuck Close?

- a) He cannot paint with his feet if he is wearing shoes.
- b) Everyone must be prepared to suffer with physical handicaps.
- c) Creating interesting problems helps him create interesting art.
- d) Problem solving is an important part of the creative process.

6. What is the main idea of the section titled "The Event"?

- a) Chuck had a long period of rehabilitation.
- b) A spinal artery collapse changed Chuck Close's art and his life.
- c) There is a retrospective of Chuck Close's works at the Museum of Modern Art.
- d) Chuck Close had to paint with a brush strapped onto his arm.

7. Read these sentences.

"The task was slow and painstaking. It took fourteen months to complete one picture."

- a) Causing great hurt
- b) Effortless
- c) Sloppy
- d) Taking great effort

8. Which selection word has a prefix that means "again"?

- a) Retrospective
- b) Reconnected
- c) Excitement
- d) Dependent

9. Which point of view is the story told?

- a) First person
- b) Second person
- c) Third person
- d) Chuck Close

Open-ended Response

Compare and contrast Chuck Close's methods of creating artwork before and after the event in a complete sentences. Use one similarity and difference in your response.

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Answer Key and Eligible Content

Item Number	Answer	Descriptor	Assessment Anchor
1	A	Inference	R6A2.3.1
2	C	Draw Conclusions	R6A2.3.1
3	A	Synonym	R6A2.1.2
4	B	Synonym	R6A2.1.1
5	C	Conclusions	R6A2.3.1
6	B	Main Idea	R6A.2.4.1
7	D	Synonym	R6A2.1.2
8	B	Affix	R6A2.2.1
9	C	Point of View	R6B2.2.1

Open-ended Rubric

3 Points

Paragraph gives 1 similarity and 1 difference with supporting details.

2 Points

Paragraph gives 1 similarity and 1 difference without supporting details.

1 Point

Paragraph gives 1 similarity OR 1 difference without or without supporting details.

0 Points

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