Communication Arts

Power Standard 8:3

Post-Formative Test

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**DIRECTIONS: Read *Call of the Wild*. Then answer questions 1, 2, and 3.**

1. How would the passage have been different if it had been written from Thornton’s point of view? Use **two** details to support your answer.

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1. Why did the author choose to have the scene between Matthewson and Thornton take place in front of a crowd instead of the two characters by themselves?
2. The crowd adds a sense of drama to the scene.
3. The crowd is there to insult Buck and Thornton.
4. The crowd offers a different perspective.
5. The crowd is there to encourage Buck and Thornton.
6. What is the best way to paraphrase the following quote from the story?

***Men gasped and began to breathe again, unaware that***

***for a moment they had ceased to breathe.***

1. The spectators didn’t breathe because it was so cold outside.
2. The spectators didn’t realize they were holding their breath with excitement.
3. The spectators were scared that someone in the race would get hurt.
4. The spectators were nervous that they would lose money on the bet.

**DIRECTIONS: Read *Band Practice* and answer the following questions.**

1. Which of the following sentences best summarizes the second half of the passage?
2. Members of the band argue and decide not to play at the dance.
3. Members of the band go to the beach instead of practice.
4. Members of the band take Rachel’s advice after a bad practice.
5. Members of the band played at the dance and were a hit.
6. Read the following quote from the passage, and determine how it adds to the mood of the story.
 ***“Yeah Doug, like you didn’t go to the beach, too,” snapped Roni.***

A) It adds a sense of frustration.
B) It adds a sense of excitement.
C) It adds a sense of suspense.
D) It adds a sense of dread.

1. What is the most likely theme of the story?
A) Hard work brings great success.
B) Even the best of friends argue.
C) Good advice is hard to find.
D) Honesty is always the best policy.
2. What is the most likely reason Roni started taking his drum set apart?
A) Roni wanted to leave because he was embarrassed.
B) Roni was hungry and wanted to go home for dinner.
C) Roni thought they were done practicing.
D) Roni was mad that the band sounded so awful.
3. Why is the mention of the beach important to the plot of the story?
A) The beach is where the band got in a fight.
B) The beach is where the band lost practice time.
C) The beach is where the band played poorly.
D) The beach is where the dance takes place.
4. Was Rachel’s solution to the problem a good one? Explain why or why not using **two** details from the story.

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1. Explain how the band changed from the beginning to the end of the story. Use **two** details and/or examples from the passage to support your answer.

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