

Week 1 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. Based on today's reading and your prior knowledge, which answer best describes the practice of communism?
 - a. a system of social organization in which all economic and social activity is controlled by a totalitarian state dominated by a single and self-perpetuating political party
 - b. an economic system in which investment in and ownership of the means of production, distribution, and exchange of wealth is made and maintained chiefly by private individuals or corporations
 - c. government by the people, exercised directly or through elected representatives
 - d. a state ruled or headed by a monarch
2. What is the purpose of a forward in literature?
 - a. to explain the historical significance of the novel
 - b. to summarize the novel and give a short history of the story and why it was written
 - c. to thank the publishers
 - d. to explain what has happened since the book has been published
3. Which best describes Ji Li Jiang, the main character of the novel?
 - a. Ji Li Jiang is twelve years old and in sixth grade.
 - b. Ji Li Jiang is asked to try out for the People's Army.
 - c. Ji Li Jiang comes from a family that has money and capitalist ways.
 - d. Ji Li Jiang thinks that the "new ways" sound good and will be a progressive move for China.
 - e. all of the above
4. Fill in the blanks to complete the following statement:
"Father and mother are _____, but still _____ is our _____"
 - a. dear, dearer, commander
 - b. wonderful, consistent, president
 - c. dear, dearer, president
 - d. none of the above
5. Which of the following is not one of the four olds?
 - a. Old Ideas
 - b. Old Customs
 - c. Old Cultures
 - d. Old Traditions

6. What phrase was on the pictures of Chairman Mao in school?
- study hard and advance everyday
 - study hard and work with others daily
 - work for the good of the masses
 - treat others with respect and dignity
7. How could the sign “Great Prosperity Market” be considered counter revolutionary and need to be destroyed?
- The sign is for a market owned by a capitalist.
 - The sign/market advocates prosperity and that is considered an old idea.
 - Chairman Mao no longer supports markets.
 - none of the above
8. Place the following events in chronological order.
- Ji-li was accused of being four-old because her family had a housekeeper and that was considered capitalist exploitation.
 - Ji-li and her friends watched the “four olds” being destroyed. They found it exciting.
 - Ji-li declined her invitation to audition for the People’s Army.
 - Ji-li was invited to audition for the People’s Army.
 - Her father explained she would not be able to audition since their family would be considered to have capitalist ties.
- 3, 2, 1, 5, 4
 - 4, 3, 2, 1, 5
 - 4, 5, 3, 2, 1
 - 3, 2, 1, 5, 4
9. What is a da-zi-bao? What is its purpose?
- posters used to support the teachers and educators that worked at the school
 - posters used to accuse villagers
 - posters used to vilify villagers and the educators
 - posters used to seek justice for those who were accused of being “Four Old”
10. Ji-li could not participate in the Red Army. She had been accused in a da-zi-bao. She decided she would
- inform the neighborhood secretary about the anti-revolutionary things her friends and family did.
 - write da-zi-bao’s about other people she knew.
 - become a dancer like her mother. She wanted to travel and see China.
 - study hard. No one could take her grades away from her.

Week 2 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. Ji-li told the Red Successors to visit her father's work unit if they thought he was a "*rightist*." The term *rightist* refers to:
 - a. being politically conservative and supporting reactionary viewpoints
 - b. a person who uses the right side of their body for important duties
 - c. a person who is liberal and open minded
 - d. none of the above
2. What is the difference between capitalism and communism?
 - a. private individuals own property versus government owned land
 - b. production, distribution, and exchange of wealth is done by private citizens versus government run businesses for the common good of the people
 - c. individuals manage their finances and goods versus the government taking care of your needs as they see fit
 - d. all of the above
3. Students in the Red Successors are placed in positions of authority. What qualities **should** a person of authority posses?
 - a. guidance to help people go in the right direction
 - b. authority to dictate what others should do
 - c. initiative to take a risk and initiate a decision or directive
 - d. both A and C
 - e. both B and C
4. What do the gongs symbolize in Ji-li's neighborhood?
 - a. the Red Guard assisting people in the neighborhood
 - b. the Red Guard ransacking houses looking for "Four Olds"
 - c. a call to prayer
 - d. none of the above

5. There was the campaign to destroy the Four Olds. The guard would look for and destroy personal possessions. *"If we do not completely destroy eliminate the roots, the plant will grow back"* (pg. 80). Which answer best describes the meaning of the above phrase?
- The Red Guard was looking for plants/food supply that were being sold for capitalist gain.
 - The Red Guard did not know how to produce food for a large country.
 - People will hang onto their old ideas if they are allowed to keep their possessions. In order to support the Four News all old items need to be destroyed.
 - Weeding and tending fruit takes work.
6. Place the following events in chronological order?
- Ji-li's neighborhood is being searched. The Red Guard is looking for anything that would be considered valuable or considered capitalist.
 - Li-li's family fired Song Po-po the housekeeper.
 - Many searches were occurring and the family was scared.
 - Ji-li had to present herself to the Red Successors. It was their job to point out all of her flaws.
 - Ji-li had been nominated to attend an elite school. Her nomination was voided.
- 4, 5, 1, 2, 3,
 - 5, 3, 4, 2, 1
 - 2, 3, 4, 1, 5
 - 3, 2, 4, 1, 5
7. Why was Song Po-po fired?
- The family could not afford to pay her anymore.
 - They hoped that the Red Guard would see the kids participating in chores and not be accused of being Four Old because they employed help.
 - She was not doing her job.
 - She did not want to be accused by the Red Guard of being exploited.
8. What term or phrase is an antonym for the term propaganda?
- rumors deliberately spread
 - principals or doctrine spread by an organization
 - to assist or damage the cause of a government or individuals
 - truth

9. What does the term Cultural Revolution refer to?
- changes in the traditions of the country
 - a country wide adoption of a new language, dress, and social norms
 - change in government—new military rule, terrorism, educational system reorganized
 - none of the above
10. Place the following events in chronological order:
- Ji-li hoped that Chairman Mao would forgive her blackclass status and allow her into the Red Guard.
 - Ji-li's grandmother and family were stressed by the possibility of being searched.
 - Old Qian lost his son. His house was searched. He passed out due to exhaustion.
 - Ji-li's house was searched.
 - Ji-li's famiy decided they would have to burn all of their photographs since they would be considered Four Old.
- 1, 3, 2, 5, 4
 - 3, 2, 5, 4, 1
 - 2, 4, 5, 1, 3
 - 5, 3, 1, 2, 4

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Week 3 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

1. Which best summarizes this quarter's theme or big idea?
 - a. Expect the World to Treat You Fairly
 - b. Change Requires Effort
 - c. Justice Equals Good Faith
 - d. Justice Requires Restraint
2. Why were teachers banned from teaching the subjects they were familiar with?
 - a. The new government was trying to get them to expand their knowledge base by teaching something new.
 - b. The communist party dictated what was taught so it did not matter who taught the pro-revolutionary material.
 - c. Chairman Mao did not care for education so he did not care what the qualifications of the teachers were.
 - d. none of the above
3. Place the following events in chronological order:
 1. Ji-li was congratulated for reaching high marks in math class. She was asked to meet with Teacher Zhang.
 2. Ji-Li's father was sent to political studies class—he will be required to confess his mistakes.
 3. Ji-li's house had been searched.
 4. Ji-li was able to return to school. She started junior high.
 5. Ji-li witnessed her friend's father being paraded through the streets with a dunce cap on a sign around his neck.
 - a. 1, 4, 5, 3, 2
 - b. 4, 5, 2, 3, 1
 - c. 3, 5, 4, 2, 1
 - d. 3, 2, 4, 1, 5
4. Ji-li's father is being sent to adult school. The purpose is for him to confess to crimes or his mistakes. What will he be confessing to?
 - a. He confesses to listening to foreign radio and for establishing counter revolutionary ties although he had not committed those crimes.
 - b. He confessed to being a capitalist.
 - c. He confessed to employing Song Po-po.
 - d. He confessed to being an actor in a theatre group.

5. Complete the following statement:

By confessing, he hoped for _____ rather than severity.

- a. compassion
 - b. leniency
 - c. mercy
 - d. tolerance
6. What happens to Ji-li's father?
- a. He was placed in a new work unit.
 - b. He was asked to confess for his crimes and mistakes.
 - c. He was arrested.
 - d. all of the above
7. Teacher Zhang had recommended Ji-li for a new Class Education Committee. What reason did he give her for his recommendation?
- a. Her math grades and her desire to learn made her a perfect candidate.
 - b. She was responsible and a leader to other students.
 - c. She could not choose her family, but she could choose her destiny.
 - d. none of the above
8. What happened when Ji-li's father was cleared of the charge against him?
- a. He was brought home to collect new clothes.
 - b. He was released to return on house arrest.
 - c. He was released to return home and his name was cleared.
 - d. He was able to come home and see his family but had to return to his work unit.
9. What tools do propaganda writers use to sway people's opinions?
- a. The writers and the accusations appeal to people's emotions.
 - b. Propaganda is spread in large amounts.
 - c. Propaganda writers use whatever tools necessary to deceive their audience.
 - d. all of the above
 - e. none of the above
10. Chong Hong admitted that she envied Ji-li. Which word or phrase is the antonym of the underlined word?
- a. a feeling of resentment towards another
 - b. to covet something someone else has
 - c. to respect someone for their accomplishments
 - d. to begrudge someone for their accomplishments

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Week 4 Assessment

Directions: Choose the letter representing the best answer for each question.

Use the passage to answer the questions that follow:

“Suddenly I found myself weeping. What everyone else was saying about us did not make any difference to Song Po-po. She treated us just the way she always used to. Life couldn’t be any easier for her either, since she no longer had a job, but she was still concerned about others. I felt ashamed. I had been selfish and inconsiderate. Life was difficult for me, but even more difficult for mom. How could I think of hurting her this way?” (pg. 217)

1. Why did Song Po-po continue to treat others with care and concern?
 - a. She knew the family for who they truly were and did not believe the rumors.
 - b. She had lost her livelihood and would not work again so her opinion of others did not really matter.
 - c. She was a gracious person and lived her life with dignity.
 - d. all of the above
2. The word “inconsiderate” can best be defined as:
 - a. showing concern for the rights of others
 - b. having careful thought
 - c. thoughtless, selfish, and showing lack of care for others
 - d. none of the above
3. What does Song Po-po’s friendship represent?
 - a. You can strip people of their identities, but it is harder to change their belief system.
 - b. People will show care and concern when it has been bestowed upon them.
 - c. People value relationships more than they value their goods.
 - d. all of the above
4. Why did Ji-li agree to participate in the summer labor program?
 - a. She knew that working in the fields would help her class status.
 - b. She wanted to stay away from her father’s foreman so she would not have to testify against him.
 - c. none of the above
 - d. both A & B

5. Ji-li found a letter written by the “revolutionary masses.” What tactics did they accuse the Red Guard of using in order to extract false confessions?
- holding people without cause
 - torturing people
 - beating and humiliating people
 - all of the above
6. Ji-li’s black class status was solidified. What word or phrase best defines the underlined word?
- to make solid compact or hard
 - to be determined
 - to become strong or united
 - none of the above
7. What happened to Ji-li’s father once he was released?
- He was able to return to his normal life.
 - His black class status remained limiting his opportunities.
 - He was sent to live permanently at a work camp.
 - He returned to his theatre group.
8. What happened after Chairman Mao died?
- The country realized that the highest levels of government manipulated the country.
 - The country realized that a small group can take over a country if there is no representation or a strong legal system.
 - The country realized that they need to stand up for their own rights.
 - all of the above
 - both A & B
 - both A & C
9. Put the following events in chronological order:
- In 1984, she moved to America with her family.
 - Ji-li wanted to change her name so she would not be identified as a landowners daughter.
 - Ji-li went to a work camp to avoid testifying against her father.
 - Song Po-po returned to help the family. She did not care about the accusations that surrounded them.
 - Ji-li’s house was ransacked.
 - Ji-Li’s father was released and he was given permanent black class status.
- 2, 4, 3, 5, 6, 1
 - 6, 2, 3, 4, 1, 5
 - 5, 6, 3, 4, 2, 1,
 - 6, 4, 2, 3, 1, 5

10. What would be considered a theme of *Red Scarf Girl*?

- a. It is important to be loyal to family regardless of the circumstances.
- b. It is important to stand up for your belief system even if you are persecuted for it. (personal heroism)
- c. It is important to stand for social change and question your leaders. (social responsibility)
- d. all of the above
- e. none of the above

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Assessment Answer Key

Week One

1. A
2. B
3. E
4. C
5. D
6. A
7. B
8. C
9. C
10. D

Week Four

1. D
2. C
3. A
4. D
5. D
6. B
7. D
8. E
9. A
10. D

Week Two

1. A
2. D
3. D
4. B
5. C
6. A
7. B
8. D
9. C
10. A

Week Three

1. D
2. B
3. C
4. A
5. B
6. D
7. C
8. A
9. D
10. C