

Week 1 Assessment

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

1. Responsibility Requires _____.
 - A. Effort
 - B. Wholeness
 - C. Restraint
 - D. Action

2. Karana can be considered the stories _____.
 - A. hero.
 - B. protagonist.
 - C. antagonist.
 - D. narrator.

3. The setting of *Island of the Blue Dolphins* can be described as
 - A. an island in the tropics.
 - B. an uninhabited island off the coast of Alaska.
 - C. an uninhabited island off the coast of California.
 - D. A mission settled by the Spaniards in California.

4. In *Island of the Blue Dolphins*, the story is narrated by Karana, which point of view is used?
 - A. First person, narrative.
 - B. Third person, narrative
 - C. Second person
 - D. Omniscient

5. What happens when a person uses your real name?
 - A. It becomes worn out and loses its magic.
 - B. You become too familiar with your enemies.
 - C. It is an omen for tragedy.
 - D. You gain trust from others.

6. The Aleut's come to the island to,
- A. trade beads.
 - B. hunt otter.
 - C. repair their ship.
 - D. find shelter.
7. The setting of *Island of the Blue Dolphin's* is
- A. Island of the Blue Dolphin's in the 1960's.
 - B. The Channel Islands, present day.
 - C. a California Island in the early to mid 1800's.
 - D. Alaskan Islands, early to mid 1800's.
8. Captain Orlov tries to pay the tribe in beads. The original agreement was to be,
- A. beads and fish.
 - B. an equal share of the otter pelts.
 - C. 1/3 of their catch of pelts and whale bones.
 - D. trinkets, dishes, and herbs from their homeland.
9. Who is the author of *Island of the Blue Dolphins*?
- A. Terry Trueman
 - B. Graham Salisbury
 - C. Gary Paulsen
 - D. Scott O'Dell
10. Karana can be best described as,
- A. caring.
 - B. resourceful.
 - C. shy and young
 - D. a great warrior..

Week 2 Assessment

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

1. The tribal law can best be described as,
 - A. an unwritten code of conduct to keep order in a society.
 - B. a law the gives the chief authority to do what he wants.
 - C. helpful for those who visit so they know how to act.
 - D. an unwritten law that tells the people what they can and can't do around outsiders.

2. Tribal law forbade,
 - A. woman to be independent.
 - B. woman to make weapons.
 - C. woman to be equal to men.
 - D. the tribe members to have pets.

3. Karana decides to take a canoe to,
 - A. explore the island from the water.
 - B. travel to an island nearby.
 - C. go to the land in the east.
 - D. find her family.

4. Place the following events in chronological order:
 1. Karana's brother is killed by dogs.
 2. Karana's father was killed in a battle with the hunters.
 3. Karana decides to leave the island by canoe.
 4. Karana returns to the island for her brother.
 5. Aleutian hunters come to the island to hunt otter.
 - A. 1, 3, 4, 2, 5
 - B. 5, 2, 4, 1, 3
 - C. 3, 1, 2, 5, 4
 - D. 5, 4, 2, 1, 3

5. Karana returns to the island because,
- A. she was homesick.
 - B. a dream told her to.
 - C. her canoe had many holes.
 - D. She was not prepared for her journey.
6. Upon her return she is followed by a pod of dolphin. Dolphin are considered,
- A. good fortune.
 - B. playful
 - C. lucky.
 - D. a good omen.
7. Page 71, "Dolphins are animals of good omen". In this phrase the term omen means,
- A. a sign of something (positive or negative) that might happen in the future.
 - B. something to reflect the past.
 - C. a warning.
 - D. none of the above.
8. When Karana returned to the island she felt,
- A. lonely.
 - B. the need to leave and find her family.
 - C. happiness, she was home.
 - D. frustrated, she did not get as far as she hoped.
9. Karana quickly found a home, she was able to
- A. create a secure environment.
 - B. store food and water.
 - C. have shelter/safety from the elements and animals.
 - D. all of the above.
 - E. none of the above.
10. Karana saves the dog who killed her brother. This action shows she,
- A. is needing a companion.
 - B. is compassionate.
 - C. is fair.
 - D. wants a hunting partner.

Week 3 Assessment

1. What style did the author use to write the novel,
 - A. argument, to prove that the hunters were unjust.
 - B. narrative, to tell a story.
 - C. historical perspective.
 - D. biography, to have someone else tell her story.
2. Which genre best describes *Island of the Blue Dolphins*?
 - A. non-fiction
 - B. historical fiction
 - C. mystery
 - D. biography
3. Responsibility Requires _____.
 - A. Action
 - B. Restraint
 - C. Compassion
 - D. Wholeness
4. The conflict in *Island of the Blue Dolphins* can best be described as,
 - A. man versus man
 - B. man versus nature
 - C. man versus self
 - D. man versus nurture
5. The tone of *Island of the Blue Dolphins* can best be described as,
 - A. sarcastic
 - B. melancholy
 - C. matter of fact
 - D. formal

6. *"There had been wild dogs on the Island as long as I can remember, but after the Aleuts had slain most of the men of our tribe and their dogs had left to join the others, the pack became much **bolder**."* Pg. 97 What word or phrase best describes an antonym of the word **bolder**?
- A. fearless
 - B. brazen
 - C. angry
 - D. timid
7. Karana prepares for the return of the Aleuts by,
- A. keeping track of the seasons.
 - B. finding weapons to defend herself.
 - C. storing food and water at a safe location.
 - D. watching for them daily.
8. Karana tries to spear,
- A. a devilfish.
 - B. abalone.
 - C. birds.
 - D. otter.
9. Rontu can best be described as,
- A. a great companion.
 - B. a listener for Karana.
 - C. security.
 - D. a friend.
 - E. all of the above
 - F. none of the above

10. Tutok arrives with the hunting party Karana is,

- A. happy to have a friend.
- B. friendly.
- C. reserved and guarded.
- D. trusting.

11. Put the following events in chronological order based on the events in the novel

- 1. Karana finds secondary locations to hide if the Aluets return.
- 2. Karana finds a shelter and makes a home.
- 3. Tutok finds her cave and they become friends.
- 4. Tutok and Karana exchange gifts.
- 5. Karana kills many of the dogs but saves Rontu.

- A. 3, 1, 2, 4, 5
- B. 2, 5, 1, 3, 4
- C. 3, 5, 1, 2, 4
- D. 2, 5, 4, 1, 3

12. Which word or phrase could be considered a theme or big idea of *Island of the Blue Dolphins*?

- A. loss
- B. freedom
- C. survival
- D. suffering

13. Karana would be considered a(n) _____ person.

- A. trusting
- B. optimistic
- C. lonely
- D. resilient

Answer Keys

Week 1 Assessment

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

Week 2 Assessment

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

Week 3 Assessment

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