

Week 1 Assessment

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

1. Integrity Requires _____.
 - A. Kindness.
 - B. Independence.
 - C. Wholeness.
 - D. Moderation.

2. Mai's family had received a postcard from her uncle Tien and his family. The postcard was from:
 - A. Hawaii
 - B. Tokyo
 - C. London
 - D. Hong Kong

3. Mai, Anh, and Thant were interested in some things they saw at the Chan's store because:
 - A. They realized they were their things
 - B. They had never seen things like them before.
 - C. They were selling for very cheap.
 - D. They were hungry and wanted food.

4. Mai's family went to Ho Chi Minh City to :
 - A. Meet their relatives
 - B. Go to the airport and fly out of the country
 - C. Board a boat to escape Vietnam
 - D. Apply for citizenship

5. Mai and her family were able to get on the overcrowded boat because:
 - A. They were at the front of the line.
 - B. Her father was a mechanic and they needed him to help fix the engine.
 - C. They bribed the captain with money.
 - D. They were sneaky and slipped past the authorities.

6. Place the following events in chronological order:
1. Many people on the boat get seasick.
 2. Many people on the boat get a disease called dysentery.
 3. Mai and her family met Kim and her mother in Ho Chi Minh City.
 4. Grandmother offered a policeman a duck so he would let them pass without searching them.
- A. 1, 2, 4, 3
B. 1, 2, 3, 4
C. 2, 1, 4, 3
D. 4, 3, 1, 2
7. Mai and her family:
- A. Own a store in Ho Chi Minh City.
 - B. Harvest rice paddies in the country.
 - C. Live in a big apartment building in a poor neighborhood.
 - D. Were rich and left their big house and expensive things behind when they left.
8. The word *listless* in the phrase “The dampness and the heat made us listless. (29,) most closely means:
- A. not having a list.
 - B. not able to listen.
 - C. moving quickly.
 - D. lacking energy and spirit.
9. Who is the author of *Goodbye, Vietnam*?
- A. Dorian Gray
 - B. Harper Lee
 - C. Gloria Whelan
 - D. Maya Angelou
10. Who is the Bac Si?
- A. Kim’s mother.
 - B. Mai’s mother.
 - C. Mai’s father.
 - D. Grandmother.

Week 2 Assessment

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

1. What did the people on the boat see struggling in the water after a school of porpoises swam by?
 - A. a woman
 - B. a shark
 - C. a turtle
 - D. a boy
2. What happened to Loi's family?
 - A. They made it to America, and he was on his way to join them.
 - B. The government sent them to a camp and they never returned.
 - C. They were attacked by pirates who sunk their boat. Only Loi survived.
 - D. They abandoned him and sent him alone on a boat.
3. In the sentence "The small *ration* of water everyone had been given that morning had left me thirstier than ever. (103,) the word *ration* most closely means
 - A. logical.
 - B. cup
 - C. gallon
 - D. a limited amount allowed or given of something
4. Place the following events in chronological order:
 1. Loi catches a sea turtle.
 2. The boat arrives in Hong Kong.
 3. Loi tells the boat passengers about what happened to his family.
 4. Kim's mother is forbidden to help the sick people in the camp.
 5. Grandmother killed her duck for the Tet Festival
 - A. 2, 3, 1, 4, 5
 - B. 1, 3, 5, 2, 4
 - C. 2, 1, 3, 4, 5
 - D. 3, 2, 1, 4, 5

5. Grandmother and others were concerned exactly when Dao would have her baby because:
 - A. they wanted the baby to be born on a lucky day.
 - B. they were worried that the baby would be premature.
 - C. they wanted the baby to be born late so it wouldn't take up space as long.
 - D. they wanted to throw a baby shower for her first but needed more time to plan.
6. What did Mai's mother give to the captain to use for the Tet celebration?
 - A. fortune cookies
 - B. chicken meat
 - C. firecrackers
 - D. wine
7. How did the Tet Festival affect the conditions on the boat:
 - A. people were getting drunk and someone fell overboard
 - B. they were so busy having fun, they didn't notice they were lost.
 - C. people were fighting over the duck
 - D. people were especially kind and bonded with each other
8. Which person dies on the boat:
 - A. Dao
 - B. Quang
 - C. Loi
 - D. *bac si*
9. Why was Mai surprised that her father asked the Bac Si for help?
 - A. because Mai thought the Bac Si was wrong
 - B. because he never asked anyone for help before
 - C. because she thought he hated the Bac Si
 - D. because she is a woman
10. Why did Kim run off the bus that was going to take them to the airport for America?
 - A. She changed her mind about going to America.
 - B. Mai hurt her feelings and she was running away crying.
 - C. She saw her mother outside the bus and ran to meet her.
 - D. She was afraid she got on the wrong bus.

Final Assessment

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

1. Why did the police threaten to take Grandmother away?
 - A. She was selling food without a business license.
 - B. She practiced the old religion, believed she could heal and tell fortunes.
 - C. The neighbors keep complaining that she sings too loud at night.
 - D. She shoplifts down at the marketplace.
2. Why was Thant treated better than Mai and Ahn, especially by Grandmother?
 - A. Because he always did his chores.
 - B. Because she is the oldest.
 - C. Because she was pregnant.
 - D. Because he is a boy and boys have a higher status in their culture.
3. What is the *ma da*?
 - A. The village witch doctor.
 - B. The spirits of Mai's ancestors.
 - C. The ghosts of the drowned who could not rest until they found someone to lure into the water and take their place.
 - D. The government soldiers.
4. What did Grandmother sneak in her basket, not wanting Mai's parents to know that she was taking them on the boat trip with them?
 - A. Two ducks.
 - B. A bag of gold coins.
 - C. A bottle of wine.
 - D. Firecrackers.
5. How did Grandmother save the family with a duck?
 - A. She sold the duck in town for enough money for their boat fare.
 - B. She bribed the policeman with it so he would not question them further and let them pass.
 - C. She made a scene chasing the duck around so the family could sneak by unnoticed.
 - D. She traded the duck for the tickets for the boat.

6. How did Mai's family meet *Bac Si Hong* and her daughter, Kim?
- A. They met when she offered to give Thant medicine for his seasickness.
 - B. She was friends of Mai's uncle and his family, who gave them her address.
 - C. Waiting in line to board the boat.
 - D. They met them at Quach Loc's house, the man who arranged their boat passage.
7. Why did Quach Loc not take Kim's flute as part of the payment for their boat passage?
- A. It wasn't worth enough.
 - B. After hearing her play it so well, he didn't have the heart to take it from her.
 - C. He would only accept cash.
 - D. He didn't know what it was.
8. Who is the author of *Goodbye, Vietnam*?
- A. Dorian Gray
 - B. Harper Lee
 - C. Gloria Whelan
 - D. Maya Angelou
9. Mai and her family got on the boat because her father could fix it. How did Kim and her daughter get on?
- A. Mai told the guard that they were their cousins.
 - B. They let her on because she was a doctor.
 - C. Kim's father was the captain
 - D. They paid extra to make sure they had a reservation.
10. How could the conditions on the boat be described?
- A. The boat was old and broken and, it was overcrowded with passengers.
 - B. The boat was new, but there were too many people on it.
 - C. It was a luxury liner.
 - D. There was plenty of room for everyone, but the boat kept breaking down.
11. What was the name of the boat's captain?
- A. Captain Luc
 - B. Captain Muoi
 - C. Captain Hook
 - D. Captain Lee

12. Place the following events in chronological order:

1. Mai's family met Kim and her mother in Ho Chi Minh City.
2. Mai and Kim's families boarded the boat.
3. Mai's parents sold all their possessions to Chan's store.
4. Loi is rescued.
5. The families are placed in a camp in Hong Kong.

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

13. Which of the following is **NOT** true about the boat journey Mai and her family were on?:

- A. Everyone was cramped from sitting on the deck with no room to spread out.
- B. A baby was born on the boat.
- C. The boat was attacked by pirates
- D. There was an outbreak of dysentery during the trip.

14. Which of the following is **NOT** true about Loi?:

- A. He was from Hong Kong.
- B. His family had been drowned after their boat sunk.
- C. He was a skilled fisherman and navigator.
- D. He helped Kim get her stolen flute back.

15. Which is **NOT** one of the foods mentioned aboard the boat?:

- A. rice
- B. duck
- C. kale
- D. pho

16. In the sentence "There was so much *commotion*, no one spoke of our hunger pains or how thirsty we were." (100,) the word *commotion* most closely means

- A. rapid movement
- B. a long train
- C. a noisy disturbance
- D. food

17. What did the passengers do with the sea turtle caught by Loi?
- A. Cooked it and gave it only to the men.
 - B. Cooked it and gave everyone a little piece.
 - C. Loi kept it as a pet.
 - D. Threw it back.
18. Quang, the one who died on the boat was:
- A. A young husband and father.
 - B. A pregnant woman.
 - C. A little boy who fell overboard.
 - D. An old man, father and father-in-law to Tho and Dao.
19. About how long were the people on the boat?
- A. 3 weeks
 - B. 1 month
 - C. 2 months
 - D. 3 months
20. What was NOT one of the things mentioned that the passengers saw as they approached Hong Kong?:
- A. many tall buildings
 - B. animals
 - C. "welcome" signs
 - D. policemen
21. Although they needed doctors and nurses, *Bac Si* was forbidden to help the sick people in the Hong Kong camp. Why?
- A. Because she was Vietnamese
 - B. Because she didn't have a medical license
 - C. Because she accidentally cut someone
 - D. Because she was a woman
22. Integrity Requires _____.
- A. Kindness.
 - B. Independence.
 - C. Wholeness.
 - D. Moderation.

23. What deadly disease was there an outbreak of in the camp?:
- A. AIDS
 - B. Cholera
 - C. Diabetes
 - D. Chicken pox
24. Why did Kim run off the bus that was going to take them to the airport for America?
- A. She changed her mind about going to America.
 - B. Mai hurt her feelings and she was running away crying.
 - C. She saw her mother outside the bus and ran to meet her.
 - D. She was afraid she got on the wrong bus.
25. How did Kim's mom get out of jail for helping patients?
- A. She dug a hole underground and crawled through it to freedom.
 - B. She found a lawyer who convinced a judge to let her go.
 - C. She cut through the bars with a nail file.
 - D. She pretended to be sick and got sent to a hospital. There she told doctors what happened and the hospital sponsored her to go to America.

Answer Keys

Week 1 Assessment

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

Week 2 Assessment

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

Final Assessment

1. B
2. D
3. C
4. A
5. B
6. D
7. B
8. C
9. A
10. A
11. B
12. C
13. C
14. A
15. D
16. C
17. B
18. D
19. A
20. C
21. A
22. C
23. B
24. C
25. D