

Character-Based Literacy Program Assessment

Any Small Goodness, Week 1



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

Name:

Date:

Period:

1. What change did Arturo demand in Miss Pringle's class?
 - a. Making the lessons more fun.
 - b. Accurate pronunciation of students' names.
 - c. Helping all students fit in.
 - d. Adding books in Spanish to the library.
2. The word *excessively* most closely means
 - a. More than usual.
 - b. Secretly.
 - c. Badly.
 - d. Loudly.
3. Huitlacoche is _____
 - a. Art work in Abuelita's room.
 - b. Rosa's doll.
 - c. The family cat.
 - d. The next-door neighbor.
4. The word *desolate* most closely means
 - a. Worried
 - b. Sad
 - c. Friendly
 - d. Lonely
5. How did Leo Love show kindness and courage?
 - a. He called the family as soon as he found Huitla.
 - b. He saved Huitla despite his fear of falling and allergy.
 - c. He took care of Huitla for two weeks.
 - d. He did not call the fire department or the police.

6. Who is the assistant coach in Arturo's basketball team?
 - a. Miss Pringle.
 - b. Arturo's neighbor.
 - c. A youth basketball league volunteer.
 - d. An NBA basketball player.
7. The word *understatement* most closely means
 - a. Underestimate
 - b. Joke
 - c. Riddle
 - d. Puzzle
8. Why has Leona Scott never become a celebrity?
 - a. She was not talented enough.
 - b. She did not have the resources and connections.
 - c. She was not interested in a career in music.
 - d. She made a promise to her teacher to pass her talent on.
9. The word *tranquilize* most closely mean
 - a. Motivate
 - b. Calm
 - c. Entertain
 - d. Distract
10. What did the unknown benefactor do for the barrio library?
 - a. Bring back Ms. Cloud.
 - b. Donate books.
 - c. Launch a reading campaign.
 - d. Send new furniture.

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

Name:

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1. Valentín is _____.
 - a. A cat.
 - b. A band.
 - c. A singer.
 - d. A car.
2. How does Papi respond to provocations?
 - a. He gets mad.
 - b. He stays calm.
 - c. He shows fear.
 - d. He taunts back.
3. The word *tentative* most closely means
 - a. Showy
 - b. Talkative
 - c. Shy
 - d. Annoyed
4. What best describes the behavior of the police officers after the shooting?
 - a. Formal and indifferent.
 - b. Low-key, formal, and gentle.
 - c. Authoritative and cold.
 - d. Angry and untrusting.
5. The word *lodged* most closely means
 - a. Linked
 - b. Belongs
 - c. Resides
 - d. Assembled

6. What was the mission of the Green Needle Gang?
 - a. Bringing a Christmas tree, gifts, and food to children in poverty.
 - b. Spy on people in the neighborhood.
 - c. Make up funny, new words.
 - d. Design Christmas fiestas.
7. The phrase *modus operandi* most closely means
 - a. Team members
 - b. Modest behavior
 - c. The modality of the operation
 - d. The way of doing things
8. What is the Rodriguez policy of Navidad?
 - a. One person is giving a present to only one other person.
 - b. All gifts should be nicely wrapped.
 - c. Every receiver has to guess who the present is from.
 - d. Every family member gives a present to three other people.
9. The word *exuberance* most closely means
 - a. Festivity
 - b. Excitement
 - c. Surprise
 - d. Calm
10. What did Luis' present to Arturo reference?
 - a. Arturo's love of basketball
 - b. Arturo's love of books
 - c. Luis' love of music
 - d. The Green Needle Gang

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Week 1

1. b
2. a
3. c
4. d
5. b
6. d
7. a
8. d
9. b
10. b

Week 2

1. d
2. b
3. c
4. b
5. c
6. a
7. d
8. a
9. b
10. d