

Grade 4 Theme 5, Story 5
“In My Family”

LA.A.2.2.1 - Main Idea - pg. 596

1. What happened AFTER Antonio shaved off the thorns of the *nopalitos* but BEFORE grandmother stir-fried them for breakfast?
 - A. Grandmother cut up chile and eggs.
(inferences not supported by the text)
 - B. Their winter food supply ran out.
(facts or details drawn from passage but not main idea)
 - C. Grandmother boiled the *nopalitos* and cut them up.
(correct answer)
 - D. Margie watched grandfather prepare the *nopalitos*.
(events presented out of order)

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2. What is the FIRST step in making *empanadas*?
 - A. Boil the squash that was picked from the garden.
(inference not supported by the text)
 - B. Roll out the dough so the filling can be spread on it.
(correct answer)
 - C. Invite all of the relatives and friends to come over to eat.
(inference not supported by text)
 - D. Spread the prepared filling on the rolled dough.
(event presented out of order)

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LA.A.2.2.2 - Author’s Purpose - pg. 592-600

3. Why did the author write the story “In My Family?”
- A. To teach readers how to make *nopalitos*, *empanadas*, and *cascarones*.
(facts or details that do not represent author’s purpose)
 - B. To entertain readers by sharing memories of her life.
(correct answer)
 - C. To teach readers about her culture.
(facts or details that do not represent author’s purpose)
 - D. To inform readers about how to take care of horned toads.
(incorrect interpretation)

LA.A.2.2.7 - Compare and Contrast - pg. 594

4. Why does Carmen’s mother compare Carmen and her brothers and sisters to horned toads?
- A. Like horned toads, they play outside in the sun without a care.
(correct answer)
 - B. Like horned toads, they protect themselves from bigger animals.
(incorrect comparison)
 - C. Like horned toads, they like to feed ants to creatures at high noon.
(incorrect identification of compared elements)
 - D. Like horned toads, they can live on land and in water.
(incorrect comparison)

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LA.E.2.2.1 - Cause and Effect - pg. 599

5. Why do Carmen’s brothers put flour into the cascarones before they break them on Easter Sunday?
- A. To paste the eggshells back together after breaking.
(plausible but incorrect)
 - B. To make the kid’s hair turn white.
(plausible but incorrect)
 - C. To paste the confetti into their hair,
(plausible but incorrect)
 - D. To make the flour turn to past on the kid’s wet heads
(correct answer)

LA.E.1.2.3 - Similarities and Differences - pg. 606 or 604

6. “In My Family” and “My Village”

How are the autobiography “In My Family” and the poem “My Village” ALIKE?

- A. Both show the authors’ love for their families.
(plausible but incorrect)
- B. Both talk about the authors’ love for Africa.
(plausible but incorrect)
- C. Both show the authors’ love for their communities.
(correct answer)
- D. Both have settings in a very dry area o f the US.
(plausible but incorrect)