

Grade 5 Theme 1 Story 4
“Dear Mrs. Parks”

LA.A.1.2.3 Vocabulary pg. 97

1. Read this sentence from the story.

Those who make fun of you for achieving your highest potential have turned their values around backward.

Which word has almost the SAME meaning as values?

- A. hopes
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)
- B. beliefs *
- C. dreams
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)
- D. manners
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)

LA.E 2.2.1 Cause/Effect pg. 97

2. Why does Mrs. Parks advise Shata to continue to work hard?
- A. Mrs. Parks feels Shata has her values backwards.
(incorrect cause)
 - B. Mrs. Parks feels that getting straight A's is important.
(incorrect cause)
 - C. Mrs. Parks wants Shata to achieve her highest potential.*
 - D. Mrs. Parks wants Shata's peers to stop making fun of her.
(incorrect cause)

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LA.A.2.2.1 Main Idea pg. 99

3. What is the MOST important lesson that Anthony learns from Mrs. Parks’?
- A. Live a healthy life.
(inferences not supported by the text)
 - B. Try to do your best.
(incorrect response based on text)
 - C. Treat others with respect. *
 - D. Listen to your grandmother.
(plausible but incorrect)

LA.A.2.2.7 Compare/Contrast pg. 98-101

4. How are Mrs. Park’s replies to Anthony and Adrienne ALIKE?
- A. Both replies mention child labor laws.
(incorrect comparison)
 - B. Both replies discuss subjects studied in school.
(incorrect comparison)
 - C. Both replies tell about her mother being her schoolteacher.
(incorrect comparison)
 - D. Both replies share the importance of learning about the past. *

LA.E.1.2.3 Similarities and Differences pg. 104

5. Which word describes BOTH Mrs. Parks and Larry?
- A. caring*
 - B. troubled
(incorrect comparison)
 - C. grateful
(incorrect comparison)
 - D. indifferent
(incorrect comparison)

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LA.A.2.2.2 Author’s Purpose pg. 105

6. Why does the author use letters in this selection?
- A. To show that many young people have similar questions.*
 - B. To teach young people the correct way to write a letter.
(incorrect interpretation of author’s purpose)
 - C. To encourage young children to write to their grandparents.
(inappropriate inference)
 - D. To inform readers that younger people enjoy writing to older people.
(incorrect interpretation of author’s purpose)