

**Grade 5 Theme 4 Story 5**  
**“Evelyn Cisneros Prima Ballerina”**

**LA.A.2.2.1 Main Idea pg. 470**

1. How does attending dance class help Evelyn overcome her shyness?
  - A. It encouraged her to study hard.  
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)
  - B. It taught her how to be a ballerina.  
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)
  - C. It helped build her self-confidence. \*
  - D. It made her stronger and more flexible.  
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)

**LA.A.2.2.8 Reference and Research pg. 470**

2. Based on the text, what is the MOST likely purpose of stretching exercises as shown in the photograph on page 471?
  - A. To help dancers grow taller.  
(incorrect conclusion based on stimulus)
  - B. To help dancers keep their rhythm.  
(incorrect conclusion based on stimulus)
  - C. To help dancers muscles become limber. \*
  - D. To help dancers improve their turns and jumps.  
(incorrect conclusion based on stimulus)

**LA.E.1.2.2 Plot and Development pg. 474**

3. Which problem did Evelyn expect to have when she moved to New York?
  - A. She would be homesick. \*
  - B. The instructors would mistreat her.  
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)
  - C. The other dancers would be jealous.  
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)
  - D. She would become bored with dancing.  
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)

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**LA.A.1.2.3 Vocabulary pg 477**

4. Read this sentence from the story.

**Evelyn Cisneros has truly earned the title of prima ballerina.**

What word has the same root as *ballerina*?

- A. ballad  
(word with construct similar to correct response)
- B. ballet \*
- C. balloon  
(word with construct similar to correct response)
- D. ballot  
(word with construct similar to correct response)

**LA.A.2.2.7 Compare and Contrast pg. 478**

5. How did people’s views about Evelyn’s appearance change after she became a prima ballerina?
- A. They viewed her as a beautiful role model. \*
  - B. They viewed her as a multitalented dancer.  
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)
  - C. They viewed her as being just as timid as before.  
(incorrect contrast)
  - D. They viewed her as a spokesperson for Hispanic dancers.  
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)

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**LA.A.2.2.2 Author’s Purpose pg. 478**

6. Why does the author quote the exact words of Evelyn Cisneros?
- A. To make the story more personal. \*
  - B. To make the story more interesting  
(incorrect interpretation of the author’s purpose)
  - C. To make the story more entertaining.  
(incorrect interpretation of the author’s purpose)
  - D. To make the story clear and up to date.  
(inappropriate inference about the author’s perspective)