

Grade 5 Theme 5 Story 1

“Off and Running”

LA.E.1.2.2 Plot/Conflict pgs. 494 - 498

1. Miata’s BIGGEST problem in the story is
 - A. Receiving annoying phone calls.
(specific fact/event not related to plot development or conflict resolution)
 - B. Arranging to meet Dona Carmen.
(specific fact/event not related to plot development or conflict resolution)
 - C. Winning the election for class president. *
 - D. Explaining why she was on the phone a lot.
(plausible but incorrect based on the text)

LA.E.2.2.1 Cause/Effect pgs. 494 - 495

2. Why did Miata call many of her friends on the telephone?
 - A. To ask them if they knew any important people.
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)
 - B. To ask them to help her pass out campaign posters and Buttons.
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)
 - C. To ask them to vote for her in the fifth grade race for President. *
 - D. To ask them if they knew who made the “quacking sounds” on the phone.
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)

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LA.A.1.2.3 Vocabulary pg. 497

3. When the author writes “her mind began to turn,” he means that Miata
- A. Began to think. *
 - B. Turned her head.
(incorrect meaning of the phrase)
 - C. Changed her mind.
(incorrect meaning of the phrase)
 - D. Looked over her shoulder.
(incorrect meaning of the phrase)

LA.A.2.2.1 Main Idea pg. 497

4. Why did Miata want to meet Dona Carmen?
- A. She thought Dona Carmen would run her campaign.
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)
 - B. She thought the mayor would endorse her campaign.
(plausible but incorrect response based on the text)
 - C. She thought Dona Carmen could tell her how to win an election. *
 - D. She thought meeting a real mayor would force Rudy to quit the race.
(inference not supported by text)

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LA.A.2.2.7 Compare/Contrast pg. 497 - 498

5. In what way did Miata’s feelings about meeting Dona Carmen change?
- A. At first she was excited about meeting her, but then she didn’t want to go.
(incorrect contrast)
 - B. At first she was unsure of what to say, but then her mother told her what to ask.
(plausible but incorrect response based on text)
 - C. At first she was not sure she wanted to meet her, but then she thought it was a good idea.
(incorrect contrast)
 - D. At first she was excited about meeting her, but became uncertain about what she should ask. *

LA.A.2.2.1 Main Idea pgs. 494 - 506

6. If the story “Off and Running” needed a new title, which would be BEST?
- A. “How to Win Votes”
(plausible but incorrect based on text)
 - B. “Campaign Promises”
(plausible but incorrect based on text)
 - C. “How to Run for President”
(plausible but incorrect based on text)
 - D. “Running for Class President” *