

### **5.R.1.A.a PRE-TEST / POST-TEST**

(Develop and demonstrate reading skills in response to text by drawing conclusions, inferring by referencing textual evidence to support analysis of what the text says explicitly as well as inferences drawn from the text.)

**DIRECTIONS:** After reading each passage, select the best answer to the question.

For Tan, the first day of school was simply wonderful. There was something about the combination of seeing old friends and holding blank notebooks. It filled him with the promise of good things to come. Tan heard the warning bell ring and waved to his friends as he hurried down the hall. He wanted to be in his seat in his homeroom before the morning announcements began.

1) Why did Tan hurry to his homeroom?

- a. He didn't want to talk to his friends.
- b. He heard the warning bell ring.
- c. He heard the morning announcements.

Josh lived in a big city, but his dad was raised in a small town. Today Josh's dad was taking Josh to visit the town for the very first time. It was the smallest place Josh had ever seen. As they drove down Main Street, almost everyone they met waved at them. When they had lunch at the town's only restaurant, several people stopped to chat. Josh was surprised at how many of them recognized his dad.

2) Which best supports the idea that it's easier to be well-known in a small town?

- a. There is only one restaurant in the town.
- b. The town is the smallest Josh has ever seen.
- c. Many people in the town recognize Josh's dad.

Lori sat in the hallway and considered her choices for camp classes. She could sign up for cartooning and learn to draw funny characters. On the other hand, Lori could sign up for singing since she enjoyed music. Lori thought for a long time and finally went to the sign-up desk. It turned out the cartooning class had just filled up. Singing was all that was left.

3) Which best supports the idea that sometimes decisions are made for you?

- a. Lori enjoys music, so she was meant to take singing.
- b. Lori waits in the hallway for someone to choose for her.
- c. Because Lori hesitates, only one of her choices is left.

The hockey league board is meeting tomorrow night to discuss changes in game rules. In the past, the league has used the same rules for all levels of play. Some of the current rules favor older players. The league also feels more safety rules are needed. The board hopes the changes will fix any problems.

4) What best shows that the board members think new rules will be fairer?

- a. They are talking about changing rules that favor older players.
- b. They want to add more safety roles to fix problems in the game.
- c. They will meet tomorrow to discuss changes to the game rules.

The Sahara desert stretches across northern Africa. It is the largest of the hot deserts in the world. About one-quarter of it is covered by huge sand dunes.

5) What evidence shows that deserts have more than just sand?

- a. The Sahara desert stretches across northern Africa.
- b. The Sahara is the largest of the hot deserts in the world.
- c. The Sahara has plains, dry valleys, salt flats, and mountains.

Cassie rolled over in her bed as she felt the sunlight hit her face. The beams were warming the back of her neck when she slowly realized that it was a Thursday, and she felt a little too good for a Thursday. Struggling to open her eyes, she looked up at the clock. "9:48!" she shouted, "Holy cow!" Cassie jumped out of bed, threw her books into her backpack, and ran out the door.

6) What problem is Cassie having?

- a. She is sick.
- b. She has overslept.
- c. She is upset because she knows she will be bored today.

7) Where is Cassie going?

- a. She is going to school.
- b. She is going nowhere. She has decided to stay home.
- c. She is going to run errands for her mom.

Kyle ran into his house, slamming the door behind him. He threw his book bag on the floor and plopped onto the couch. After six hours of playing a video game, he ate some pizza and fell asleep with a slice on his stomach and his feet on his book bag. When Kyle came home from school the next day, he was noticeably upset. He balled up his report card and placed it inside a soup can in the garbage. He then flipped the soup can upside down in the garbage can and arranged loose pieces of trash over it. As he plopped down on the couch, he let out a sigh and picked up his controller.

8) Why does Kyle put the report card in a soup can?

- a. Because he is embarrassed about getting such good grades
- b. Because he figures no one will want to see his report card anyway
- c. Because he doesn't want his parents to find his report card with bad grades