SASKATCHEWAN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 10 · UNIT A · 5 QUESTIONS

Identity - Who We Are — Practice Test

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Reading III - The New Student

Use this reading for questions 1 to 5.

Daniel moved to Saskatoon in October, halfway through the school year, and for the first week he ate lunch alone near the library doors. He missed his old street, his old friends, and the hockey rink where everyone had known his name. In his new school, the hallways felt loud and fast, and he worried that fitting in would mean giving up the things that had made him himself.

Then his science teacher asked the class to bring in an object that showed something about where they came from. Daniel brought a small wooden carving his uncle had made, and as he explained what it meant, classmates asked real questions and listened. He did not become a different person that day. He learned that identity can travel with a person into a new place, and that sharing who you are is often the first step toward belonging.

1 **According to Reading III, what is the main idea of the passage?**

- **A** a new student decides to hide everything about his old home
- **B** a new student refuses to speak to any classmate
- **C** a new student learns that sharing who he is helps him belong in a new school
- **D** a new student leaves Saskatoon after one week

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2 **According to Reading III, which word best describes the main character?**

- A reckless
- B thoughtful
- C dishonest
- D impatient

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3 **According to Reading III, which detail is stated in the passage?**

- A Daniel brought a small wooden carving made by his uncle to class
- B Daniel built a new hockey rink behind the school
- C Daniel sold his carving at a market
- D Daniel never entered the school library

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4 **According to Reading III, in this passage the word belonging most nearly means**

A feeling accepted as part of a group

B being the loudest person in a room

C winning every game that is played

D knowing every hallway in a building

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5 **According to Reading III, what can the reader most reasonably infer?**

A Daniel will forget his old home completely

B Daniel will likely keep sharing parts of his story as he makes new friends

C Daniel will never speak in class again

D Daniel learned nothing from his classmates

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ANSWER KEY

1. C
2. B
3. A
4. A
5. B

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