SASKATCHEWAN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20 · UNIT C · 5 QUESTIONS

Social Action - The Past and the Present — Practice Test

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Reading III - Prairie Evening

Use this reading for questions 1 to 5.

The wheat stands gold against a sky the colour of old brass,

and the wind moves through it like a slow river finding the sea.

A hawk circles high above the field, patient as time itself,

while the farmhouse windows catch the last light and hold it.

I think of those who worked this land before me,

their hands in the same soil, their evenings just as long,

and I feel the past beside me, quiet, in the evening air.

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

- **A** a poem argues that the prairie has no history
- **B** a poem describes a city street at night
- **C** a poem connects the present prairie evening with those who worked the land before
- **D** a poem complains about farm work

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2 **According to Reading III, in this poem the word patient most nearly means**

A hurried and angry

B afraid of heights

C made of brass

D calm and willing to wait without hurrying

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

A the speaker feels connected to past workers on the land

B the speaker feels no connection to the past

C the speaker wants to leave the prairie forever

D the speaker has never seen wheat

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4 **Rolling prairie grassland stretches under a wide sky. According to Reading III, which theme is best supported by the poem?**



A the land has no connection to past workers

B the past remains present in land, work, and memory

C evenings on the prairie are always empty

D memory plays no part in the present

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5 **According to Reading III, which detail is stated in the poem?**

A the farmhouse windows catch no light at all

B the wheat stands green in deep winter

C a hawk circles high above the field in the poem

D no one ever worked the land before

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ANSWER KEY

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

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