SASKATCHEWAN ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS 20 · UNIT D · 5 QUESTIONS

Composition and Language Conventions — Practice Test

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Reading III - The Reflective Essay Draft

Use this reading for questions 1 to 5.

When I look back on my first year at a new school, I remember the hallway most clearly. It was long, noisy, and full of faces I did not know. I walked it quickly, eyes down, hoping no one would notice how lost I felt. By spring, I walked it slowly, greeting friends, and I realised the hallway had not changed. I had.

Reflection, I have learned, is not just remembering. It is asking what an experience meant, and how it changed you. My hallway story matters because it shows that belonging is not given by a place. It is built, day by day, by small acts of courage, like looking up and saying hello.

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

- **A** a reflective essay only lists events with no meaning
- **B** a reflective essay should avoid personal experience
- **C** a reflective essay proves a scientific fact
- **D** a reflective essay shows how an experience changed the writer

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

A by spring the writer walked the hallway slowly and greeted friends

B the hallway itself changed completely by spring

C the writer never felt lost at the new school

D the writer never greeted anyone by spring

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

A a long hallway

B feeling accepted as part of a group or place

C a noisy crowd

D a school subject

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4 **According to Reading III, what is the author's main purpose?**

A to explain how hallways are built

B to persuade readers to avoid new schools

C to reflect on how belonging grew over a school year

D to list school rules

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

A readers will see the writer as more lost by spring

B the hallway story has no meaning at all

C the writer never changed in any way

D readers will likely see the writer as more confident by spring

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ANSWER KEY

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

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