

Text 1 - Black Lives Matter:

Questions
1. The word gesture in the paragraph is closest in meaning to?
1. Action
2. Move
3. Sign
4. symbol
2. The word solidarity in the paragraph is closest in meaning to?
1. Demonstration
2. Love
3. Opposition
4. Support
3. The word restrained in the paragraph is closest in meaning to?
1. Arrested
2. Released
3. Hit
4. Chased
4. The word injured in the paragraph is closest in meaning to?
1. Hurt
2. In pain
3. Crying
4. Tackled
5. The word brutality in the paragraph is closest in meaning to?
1. Fairness
2. Violence
3. Equality
4. Corruption
6. According to the paragraph, where does the current idea of taking the knee as a form of protest come from?
1. Nate Boyer suggested the idea to Kaepernick.
2. Nate Boyer and Kaepernick decided that it was more respectful than sitting
3. Nate Boyer and Kaepernick disagreed about taking the knee as a form of protest.
4. Nate Boyer and military veterans believe that taking the knee is respectful

7. According to the paragraph, what was the reaction to Kaepernick taking the knee at the time?

1. It attracted a lot of positive attention from the national press.
2. It attracted a lot of negative attention from the national press.
3. The national press reported Kaepernick's actions widely.
4. The national press called Kaepernick unpatriotic.

8. According to the paragraph, what impact has Kaepernick's actions had on the Black Lives Matter Movement?

1. It has prompted the world to start taking racism seriously.
2. It has made taking the knee a popular form of protest.
3. It has made Kaepernick a leading voice in the Black Lives Matter Movement.
4. It has encouraged other minorities to speak out and start demonstrating.

9. According to the paragraph, what other meanings does the gesture of taking the knee have?

1. It is an act of worship and a sign of empathy.
2. It is a common form of celebration in some US sports
3. It is used to show respect to Martin Luther King and injured sportsmen.
4. It is a sign of support for the civil rights movement.

10. Which of the following can be inferred from the paragraph about Colin Kaepernick taking the knee?

1. Donald Trump and Barack Obama both support Colin Kaepernick taking the knee
2. Donald Trump and Barack Obama have different opinions about Colin Kaepernick taking the knee
3. Donald Trump and Barack Obama believe that taking the knee is unpatriotic and unconstitutional.
4. Donald Trump and Barack Obama support Colin Kaepernick's constitutional right to take the knee.

11. The paragraph supports which of the following statements about Martin Luther King:

1. Martin Luther King was the first person to take the knee as a form of protest.
2. The reason for Martin Luther King taking the knee is often misrepresented in the media.
3. Martin Luther King and Colin Kaepernick both took the knee as a sign of protest.
4. The photograph of Martin Luther King taking the knee inspired Colin Kaepernick to take the knee.

12. Which of the following is **FALSE** according to the paragraph?

1. Mahmoud Abdul Rauf refused to sing the US national anthem as he saw it as a sign of oppression

2. John Carlos and Tommie Smith gave a gesture of support for the black power movement in 1968

3. Mahmoud Abdul Rauf thought that the US flag did not stand for freedom and liberty for all.

4. John Carlos, LeBron James and Mahmoud Abdul Rauf used their sporting fame to highlight racial injustice

13-16. Do the following statements agree with the information in the Reading Passage? (READ THE WHOLE TEXT)

Select TRUE, FALSE, or NOT GIVEN based on each statement

1. Taking the knee had a negative impact on Colin Kaepernick's career.

TRUE

2. The UK's Prime Minister believed that taking the knee originated from a TV programme.

FALSE

3. The law requiring all NFL players to stand for the US national anthem is no longer valid.

TRUE

4. Three police officers have been convicted for the murder of George Floyd.

NOT GIVEN

Text 2: The Smile in Portraiture:

1. In paragraph 1 , the word "reflex" is closest in meaning to:

- a) reaction
- b) joint
- c) plan
- d) exception

2. In paragraph 2 , the word "unfashionable" is closest in meaning to:

- a) tacky
- b) trendy
- c) out-of-date
- d) expired

3. In paragraph 3, the word "paradoxical" is closest in meaning to:

- a) mysterious
- b) fluid
- c) contradictory
- d) engaging

4. In paragraph 5, the word “disinclined” is closest in meaning to:

- a) convinced
- b) eager
- c) willing
- d) **reluctant**

Comprehension questions:

5. According to paragraph 2, authors paint smirks to convey...

- a) **vagueness**
- b) Convenience
- c) Happiness
- d) Openness

6. According to paragraph 3, the Mona Lisa

- a) Was the best portrait of its time
- b) **Intentionally distressed onlookers**
- c) Demonstrated human craving unnaturally
- d) Invited artists to create similar works

7. According to paragraph 3, what is “sfumato”?

- a) **An art technique**
- b) A type of smirk
- c) Leonardo Da Vinci’s favourite painting
- d) A period of time in art history

8. According to paragraph 5, what is the principal reason for not painting smiles?

- a) Not considered beautiful
- b) Long process of painting
- c) **Level of difficulty**
- d) Speed of the smile

Mixed Questions

9. What is the main topic of the text?

- a) Why people smile for the camera today
- b) **The absence of the smile in paintings**
- c) The Mona Lisa’s history
- d) Human desire in art

10. Which of the following is NOT TRUE according to the passage? (Make sure you read the whole passage)?

- a) **People had awful dental habits**
- b) Smiles were difficult to draw
- c) Painting smiles took too much time
- d) They were not culturally relevant at that time

11. According to the whole text, all of the statements about smiling in photographs are true EXCEPT:

- a) A smile is a reaction
- b) They are quick
- c) They are a social and cultural feature of our time
- d) It is rude to frown

12. Which of the following can be inferred from paragraph 4?

- a) Missing teeth made one attractive
- b) Having bad teeth was normal
- c) Poor dental hygiene was a serious concern.
- d) Only government members had good teeth

13. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the following sentence? **The effect of the Mona Lisa has always been in its inherent ability to demand further examination**

- a) The Mona Lisa is studied by arts students.
- b) The Mona Lisa showcases great art ability.
- c) Museums demand the Mona Lisa be on display.
- d) The Mona Lisa was designed to be closely analyzed.

14. Which of the sentences below best expresses the essential information in the following sentence? **It takes only a fraction of a moment for our smiles to turn into uncomfortable grimaces**

- a) It is unnatural to smile for a short time.
- b) Smirks are more common than smiles.
- c) Smiling is awkward for people.
- d) Smiles are quick actions.

15. According to paragraph 6, what is meant by “a formalized ideal”?

- a) A realistic goal
- b) A model of perfection
- c) An honest representation
- d) An accurate memory

16. What can be inferred by “a smile is like a blush” in paragraph 5?

- a) They are both reactionary
- b) They are both tinted red
- c) They both make a statement
- d) They both last