1

Question Stems: English Regents Exams

Aligned to Reading Standards

**Reading Standards 1-3**: **What exactly does the text mean?**

Reading Standard 1: *Read closely to determine what the text says explcitly/implicitly and make logical inferences from it; cite specific textual evidence when writing or speaking to support conclusions drawn from the text*

**Reading Standard 2**: *Determine central ideas or themes of a text and*

*analyze their development; summarize the key supporting details and ideas.*

June 2023:

1. Based on the passage, it can be inferred that the mother

and daughter’s relationship is…

2. Which quotation best supports a central idea in the passage?

3. Lines xx through xx support a central idea by depicting …

4. Which statement best illustrates a central idea in the text?

January 2023:

1. Lines xx through xx contribute to a central idea by revealing the…

2. In the context of the passage as a whole, lines xx through xx suggest a central idea that…

3. The information presented in lines xx thorough xx contribute to the

central idea that…

4. Which statement reinforces a central idea of the text?

August 2022:

1. Lines xx through xx reveal a central idea by depicting…

2. Which quotation from the test best demonstrates a difference be tween <the attitudes of two different characters>?

3. Which lines from the poem best reflect its central idea?

4. Lines xx through xx contribute to a central idea…

5. Which quotation from the text reflects a central idea?

June 2022:

1. A central idea of the text is…

2. Lines xx and xx suggest that the phrase “xxx xxx xxx”…

3. Which quotation from the text reflects a central idea of it?

4. With which statement below would the author most likely agree?

**Reading Standard 3:** *Analyze how and why individuals, events, and ideas develop and interact over the course of a text.*

June 2023:

1. The details in lines xx through xx reflect the narrator’s recognition

of …

2. The question in line xx creates a mood of…

3. Which quote best illustrates the narrator’s attitude?

4. The description lines xx and xx suggests that…

5. The details in lines xx through xx stress the…

January 2023:

1. The examples of xx (line xx) and xx demonstrate that they…

2. Lines xx through xx suggest that …..

3. Throughout the text, xx can best be described as…

4. The actions of <character> in lines xx and xx indicate that s/he is…

August 2022:

1. The details in lines xx and xx show that <a character> is…

2. <Character> characterizes <another character> as having or be ing…

3. The first paragraph reveals…

4. Each idea presented by lines xx through xx must be…

5. Based on information in lines xx through xx…

6. The <phrase from the text> has led to…

June 2022:

1. In the first paragraph, <name of character’s> choice of clothing

is intended to convey her…

2. In lines xx and xx, <name of character> presents himself as…

3. <name of character> most likely <does a specific action> in order

to…

4 <name of character’s> response to <the action of another

character> is one of…

5. <name of character’s> initial reaction to <specific circumstance>

is one of…

6. Lines xx through xx reveal that <narrator’s decision> was influ enced by…

August 2019:

1. Lines xx through xx show <*name of character’s>*…

2. The dialogue in lines xx through xx depicts <*name of characte*r> as…

3. <*Name of character’s*> attitude toward <*name of other character>* in lines xx through xx can best be described as…

4. Which statement best summarizes the information lines xx through xx?

5. The details in lines xx through xx show that the author…

**Reading Standards 4-6:** **Writer’s Craft: How does the writer use his/her rhetorical and organizational skills to enhance the meaning?**

**Reading Standard 4**: *Interpret words and phrases as they are used in a text, including determining technical, connotative, and figurative meanings, and analyze how specific word choices shape meaning or tone*.

June 2023:

1. The figurative language in line xx supports a central idea about…

2. The statement “xx xx x xx xxxx” creates a sense of…

3. Lines xx through xx reveal the <name of character’s> realization that…

4. The question asked in line xx creates a mood of…

January 2023:

1. The statement “xx xx xx” (lines xx and xx) suggests

<character’s> sense of…

2. It can be inferred from lines xx through xx and lines xx and xx

that <character> is…

3. In lines xx and xx, the phrase “xxxxx” implies that the narrator is…

4. The opening stanza conveys a sense of…

August 2022:

1. The word “xxx” as used in line xx most nearly means…

2. The statement, “xxx xxx xxx” suggests that <a character> is…

3. XX is probably referred to as “xxx” to emphasize the idea that…

4. The phrase “xxx xxx” reveals that…

5. The figurative language in lines xx and xx emphasizes…

June 2022:

1. The reference to <quote phrase from text> serves to help

readers imagine the…

2. The word xxx suggests a…

3. The figurative language used in lines xx and xx suggests…

4. Which statement in lines xx and xx highlights <character’s>

5. <Character’s> response to <another characters words or actions>

is one of…

6. The quote <quote from text> suggests that…

**Reading Standard 5**: *Analyze the structure of texts, including how specific sentences, paragraphs, and larger portions of the text (e.g., a section, chapter, scene, or stanza) relate to each other and the whole.*

June 2023:

1. The dialogue in lines xx through xx contributes to a central idea by

depicting the…

2. Lines xx through xx serve to…

January 2023:

1. The description of xx in the first two paragraphs creates a mood of…

2. In lines xx through xx, the author builds suspense by…

3. Lines xx through 86 serve to…

August 2022:

1. Based on information in lines xx through xx…

2. Throughout the poem, the narrator develops a central idea primar ily through the use of…

3. In the first stanza, the narrator refers to xxx to explain…

June 2022:

1.The text is developed primarily through the use of…

2. Lines xx and xx serve to emphasize a contrast between…

3. The opening paragraph serves to…

4. Which statement reflects an irony in the text?

**Reading Standard 6**: *Assess how point of view or purpose shapes the content and style of a text, drawing on a wide range of global and diverse texts.*

June 2023:

1. The character’s language in lines xx through xx conveys an

attitude of…

January 2023:

1. The author’s attitude toward xx can best be described as…

June 2022:

1. The tone of the poem can best be described as…

**Language Standards 4,5**: **What do the words mean or imply, literally and/or figuratively?**

**Language Standard 4**: *Determine or clarify the meaning of unknown and multiple-meaning words and phrases by using context clues, analyzing meaningful word parts, and consulting general and specialized reference materials, as appropriate.*

June 2023: 5, 12, 16, 20

1. The figurative language in lines xx through xx emphasizes…

2. The figurative language in lines xx through xx suggests that…

January 2023:

1. The word “xx” in line xx most nearly means…

2. As used in line XX, the phrase “xx xx xx” refers to the…

3. As used in line xx, the word “xx” most nearly means…

June, 2022:

1. As used in line xx, the word “xx” most nearly means…

2. As used in line xx, the word “xx” most nearly means…

**Language Standard 5**: *Demonstrate understanding of figurative language, word relationships and nuances in word meanings.*

June 2023:

1. As used in line xx, the word “xxx” most nearly means…

January 2023:

1. In the context of the poem as a whole, the <object> represents…