Week 5 PH Packet

Selection: “A Day’s Wait”

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*Due Date: Oct 10, 2014

*Test will take place on due date!
from Barrio Boy by Ernesto Galarza
“A Day’s Wait” by Ernest Hemingway
Vocabulary Warm-up Word Lists

Study these words from Barrio Boy and “A Day’s Wait.” Then, complete the activities.

Word List A

condition [kuhn DISH uhn] n. general health or physical fitness
Ryan got himself in good condition for the big race.

foreign [FAWR uhn] adj. having to do with or coming from another place
The travel magazine had pictures of foreign countries.

instructions [in STRUHK shunz] n. directions for how to do something
The instructions explained how to build a birdhouse.

miserable [MIZ er uh buhl] adj. causing great discomfort or unhappiness
The miserable weather spoiled our vacation.

native [NAY tiv] adj. belonging to a person because of the place where he or she was born
Spanish is Pilar’s native language.

progress [PRAH gres] n. an improvement
Katherine’s test scores this quarter are much higher, showing that she has made progress.

secure [si KYOOR] adj. feeling safe and sure
Because their new home is in a safe neighborhood, the family feels secure.

various [VAYR ee uhrs] adj. different
We looked at the various desserts and could not decide between apple pie and cheesecake.

Word List B

absolutely [ab suh LOOT lee] adv. completely; totally without limit
Alex has no doubt; he is absolutely certain he aced the test.

frequently [FREE kwuhnt lee] adv. commonly; happening often
Brianna frequently takes the shortest way home, so she knows the route extremely well.

importance [im PAWR tuhns] n. something of high value or interest
We recognize the importance of voting in the election.

influenza [in floo EN zuh] n. an illness with sneezing, coughing, fever, and muscle aches
Danielle thought she had influenza because she was coughing and sneezing and running a fever.

menace [MEN is] n. a threat or danger
Pollution is a menace to our environment because it can do a great deal of damage.

overcome [oh ver KUHM] v. to defeat
The team fought hard to overcome the competition and win the game.

similar [SIM uh luhr] adj. alike or the same type
Anthony and William had similar T-shirts; it was hard to tell them apart.

unnecessary [uhN NES uh ser ee] adj. not needed
An umbrella is unnecessary on a sunny day.
Exercise A  Fill in each blank in the paragraph below with an appropriate word from Word List A. Use each word only once.


Travel gave José a chance to learn new languages. He had already made great [8] _______________ learning French. Knowing many languages made him a good traveler.

Exercise B  Find a synonym for each word in the following list. Use each synonym in a sentence that makes its meaning clear. Refer to a thesaurus if you need help finding a synonym.

Example: distasteful  Synonym: unlikable

Morgan does not like pepper, so she found the spicy sauce distasteful.

1. importance  Synonym: ___________________________

2. frequently  Synonym: ___________________________

3. overcome  Synonym: ___________________________

4. menace  Synonym: ___________________________

5. unnecessary  Synonym: _________________________

6. absolutely  Synonym: __________________________

7. similar  Synonym: ___________________________

8. influenza  Synonym: __________________________
Word List:
contraption  epidemic  evidently  flushed  formidable  reassuring

A. DIRECTIONS: Think about the meaning of the italicized word in each question. Then, answer the question.

1. When there is an epidemic, why are infected people kept away from healthy people?

2. What is an example of a formidable school project?

3. Why might someone call a typewriter a contraption?

4. If Elizabeth is evidently healthy, how do you know that she is healthy?

5. What is a reassuring gesture?

6. When a hunting dog has flushed quail from the bushes, what has the dog done?

B. DIRECTIONS: For each pair of related words in capital letters, write the letter of the pair of words that best expresses a similar relationship.

   1. EPIDEMIC : DOCTORS ::
      A. hospital : nurses
      B. war : soldier
      C. sick : well
      D. medicine : science

   2. FORMIDABLE : UNIMPORTANT ::
      A. dangerous : great
      B. square : rectangular
      C. difficult : simple
      D. large : huge

   3. EVIDENTLY : SEEMINGLY ::
      A. evidence : trial
      B. slowly : quickly
      C. suddenly : sudden
      D. certainly : surely
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Literary Analysis: Comparing Fiction and Nonfiction

Fiction is prose writing that tells about imaginary characters and events. Novels, novellas, and short stories are types of fiction. Nonfiction is prose writing that presents and explains ideas or tells about real people, places, objects, or events. News articles, essays, and historical accounts are types of nonfiction.

In the excerpt from Barrio Boy, the writer tells about an actual event in his life. In contrast, the writer of “A Day’s Wait” created a narrator who tells about an imagined event in the lives of an imagined father and son.

Directions: Complete the following chart by answering the questions about the excerpt from Barrio Boy and “A Day’s Wait.”

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<td>2. Who are the main characters?</td>
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<td>3. Is there important dialogue? If so, summarize it.</td>
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<td>4. What important events make up the action of the story?</td>
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<td>5. What feelings does the main character have as events unfold?</td>
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<td>6. How is the main character’s problem resolved?</td>
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Integrated Language Skills:
Support for Writing to Compare Literary Works

To prepare to write an essay that compares and contrasts the narrators of *Barrio Boy* and “A Day’s Wait,” use this graphic organizer. Respond to each question by jotting down ideas about how the narrators present their stories.

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<td>What details about the narrator are revealed?</td>
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<td>How is dialogue used in each work?</td>
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<td>What theme do the narrator’s thoughts and actions suggest?</td>
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<td>How do other characters affect the narrator?</td>
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<td>How does the narrator bring the story to a close?</td>
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Now, use your notes to write an essay comparing and contrasting the narrators of *Barrio Boy* and “A Day’s Wait.”
5. The title of “A Day’s Wait” has more than one meaning. Explain what it means for the boy and what it means for his father.

6. At the beginning of Barrio Boy, Ernesto does not find the differences he notices in his new school to be reassuring. What reassuring words does the father in “A Day’s Wait” give his son? Support your answer by explaining what effect his words have on the boy.

7. Both fiction and nonfiction can use a first-person point of view, in which the narrator is a character participating in the action. Identify the narrators of Barrio Boy and “A Day’s Wait,” and explain how you can tell that both narratives are told from a first-person point of view.

8. What makes Barrio Boy a work of nonfiction and “A Day’s Wait” a work of fiction? Explain.

9. Contrast how Ernesto’s emotions are revealed in Barrio Boy with how the boy’s emotions are revealed in “A Day’s Wait.” Use details from the selections to support your ideas.

10. How does the boy in Barrio Boy and the sick boy in “A Day’s Wait” show courage? Explain your answer.
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Open-Book Test

Short Answer  Write your responses to the questions in this section on the lines provided.

1. In Barrio Boy, Ernesto admires Miss Ryan. In each blank oval below, write one of her character traits. Then, on the lines, explain why he admires her so much.

Miss Ryan

2. Reread the last paragraph of Barrio Boy. What does “becoming a proud American” mean to Ernesto? Use details from the essay to support your answer.

3. In “A Day’s Wait,” the boy is evidently anxious about something. What details in the story show that Hemingway evidently knew about the sport of hunting? Use the definition of evidently in your response.

4. In “A Day’s Wait,” review what the father tells his son after the boy reveals his fear about dying. Consider the tone he takes with the boy. How would you describe the father’s reaction to his son’s concern? Use details from the story to support your answer.