

Selection Test: "Amigo Brothers"

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MULTIPLE CHOICE

Critical Reading

Identify the letter of the choice that best answers the question.

1. In "Amigo Brothers," what do both Antonio and Felix dream of becoming someday?
 - a. a boxing trainer
 - b. the lightweight boxing champion of the world
 - c. the owner of a gym
 - d. the director of the Boys Club in their neighborhood
2. Before the fight in "Amigo Brothers," Felix makes the following statement to Antonio.

"...When we get into the ring, it's gotta be like we never met. We gotta be like two heavy strangers that want the same thing and only one can have it. You understand, don'tcha?"

What does this statement **most clearly** suggest about Felix?

 - a. Felix believes they must not think about their friendship during the match.
 - b. Felix believes they would both be happier if they had never become friends.
 - c. Felix believes that they will be strangers to each other after the match is over.
 - d. Felix believes that they will both gain weight if they do not remain friends after the match.
3. Which answer choice **best** describes the relationship between the external and internal conflicts in "Amigo Brothers"?
 - a. The external conflict represents each character's internal conflict.
 - b. The external conflict of the fight brings about an internal conflict in each character.
 - c. Each character's internal conflict leads to an argument which causes an external conflict.
 - d. Only Felix experiences an internal conflict, but the external conflict is between both characters.
4. Why does Felix go to the movies in "Amigo Brothers"?
 - a. to avoid his aunt
 - b. to enjoy a good boxing movie
 - c. to learn some new moves to use in the fight against Antonio
 - d. to distract himself from thinking about fighting Antonio
5. Which quotation from "Amigo Brothers" **best** reveals Antonio's internal conflict?
 - a. Antonio was passing some heavy time on his rooftop. How would the fight tomorrow affect his relationship with Felix?
 - b. Antonio wore white trunks, black socks, and black shoes. Felix wore sky blue trunks, red socks, and white boxing shoes.
 - c. Antonio countered with his own flurry, forcing Felix to give ground.
 - d. This time, to Felix's surprise, it was Antonio who came out fast, charging across the ring. Felix braced himself but couldn't ward off the barrage of punches.

6. Why does the boxing match take place in a park in "Amigo Brothers"?
- The gym is not air conditioned and would be too hot.
 - The promoters are unable to get permission to use the gym.
 - The gym is not large enough to accommodate the crowd.
 - The nearest gym is a long walk from a subway station.
7. What conclusion can you **most logically** draw based on the following passage from "Amigo Brothers"?

Rights to the body. Lefts to the head. Neither fighter was giving an inch.

- Both fighters are saving their strength.
 - Both fighters are the same height.
 - Both fighters are in pain.
 - Both fighters are doing their best.
8. What does the following passage from "Amigo Brothers" **most clearly** suggest about Antonio's abilities as a fighter?

Antonio danced, a joy to behold. His left hand was like a piston pumping jabs one right after another with seeming ease.

- The spectators love watching him fight.
 - He moves gracefully and punches quickly.
 - He probably dances better than he boxes.
 - He punches quickly but moves slowly.
9. What inference can you **most logically** make based on the following passage from "Amigo Brothers"?

The announcer turned to point to the winner and found himself alone. Arm in arm the champions had already left the ring.

- Antonio and Felix care more about their friendship than about finding out who has won the fight.
 - Antonio and Felix are too exhausted to bother waiting to hear the winner announced.
 - Antonio and Felix will both represent the Boys Club in the championship tournament.
 - Antonio and Felix are relieved that the fight is over and have gone to their dressing rooms.
10. What do Felix and Antonio have in common throughout "Amigo Brothers"?
- Both boys are tall and lean.
 - Both boys have a long reach in the boxing ring.
 - Both boys want to fight fairly and win.
 - Each boy thinks the other is a better fighter.