

## Welcome to Sixth Grade ELA

Dear 6th Graders and Parents,

Summer means sun and fun, biking and hiking, picnics and ...  
RELAXING WITH A GOOD BOOK!!!

Students entering 6th grade are asked to read: **6A: The Egypt Game** by Zilpha Keatley Snyder and **6G: Bystander** by James Preller. After reading the novel, 6th graders are asked to complete the given exam/writing project. This will be collected and graded during the first week of school and will count towards their first quarter ELA grade.

Please encourage your child to read for a minimum of thirty minutes per day. Have a wonderful summer! I look forward to getting to know your child in September.

Sincerely,

*Rose Scozzari*

Mrs. Rose Scozzari

Name:

Incoming 6G

Date:

Summer 2021

After reading the novel Bystander by James Preller, complete the end of the book test and project.

Section 1: Multiple Choice: Circle/highlight the best answer.

1. Why did Rudy suspect that Eric stole his money?
  - a. Because Eric had replaced the \$27.
  - b. Because he saw Eric steal his money.
  - c. Because he saw Eric spend \$27 on candy.
2. Who is the author of the novel?
  - a. James Dashner
  - b. James Preller
  - c. J.K. Rowling
  - d. James Praller
3. What did Griffin do before he left Eric's house?
  - a. Griffin apologized for being a jerk to David and said he wouldn't do it again.
  - b. Griffin stole a CD from Eric and money from Eric's brother.
  - c. Griffin offered to help his mother with the chores around the house.
4. Who did Mrs. Hayes call when she learned about the fight?
  - a. Teachers, guidance counselors, and the principal.
  - b. Cody's parents
  - c. Griffin's father
  - d. Mary's mother

5. Who brought Eric's missing bike back?
- a. Griffin
  - b. Cody, Hakeem, and Pat
  - c. David
  - d. Mary
6. Why was Cody angry with Eric?
- a. He stole his girlfriend.
  - b. Griffin told Cody that Eric called him Weasel.
  - c. Mary said Eric hit her.
  - d. David was crying because Eric was mean.
7. Why was Mary pushed out of her friends group?
- a. She betrayed Griffin.
  - b. Mary's friends were upset with her because she was friends with Eric.
  - c. She told the school who made the website about Chantel.
  - d. She deleted the website about Chantel without her friend's permission.
8. What was the administration looking for in Eric's locker?
- a. Alcohol
  - b. Stolen items
  - c. money
  - d. A knife
9. Griffin wants Eric to take \_\_\_\_\_ from the Rosens.
- a. Old silver coins
  - b. A gold watch
  - c. a television
  - d. \$100
10. True or False: Cody, Hakeem, and Pat ask Griffin if they can give Eric his bike back.
- a. True
  - b. False

11. Why doesn't Mrs. Rosen ask Griffen to watch her dog?
- Griffen asked for more money.
  - Griffen was always late to walk the dog.
  - Mrs. Rosen doesn't trust Griffen.
12. Eric felt \_\_\_\_\_ when Mary confessed that she knew about the fight.
- Betrayed
  - Anxious
  - scared
  - excited
13. "Hallenback is a puppy. He'd jump off a bridge for me." Griffen describes Hallenback as a "puppy" who would "jump off a bridge" for him. What can we infer about David from this quote?
- David obeys Griffen's commands.
  - David is hyperactive and always yelling.
  - David is scared of Griffen and runs away when he sees him.
14. Eric's mom asks him if he wants to bring his bike to Jones Beach. Why did Eric say his bike has a flat tire?
- He was being lazy and preferred to walk on the boardwalk.
  - He didn't want his mother to question him about his bike's condition.
  - He didn't know where his bike was and he was afraid she would question him about it.
15. When Eric and his mother visit Jones Beach, Eric's mom explains that his father won't get better unless he \_\_\_\_\_.
- Stops taking his medication.
  - Goes to a rehab facility.
  - Takes his medication.

16. Who is the bully in the story?

- a. Eric
- b. Griffin
- c. David
- d. Mary

17. Who is the target in this story?

- a. Eric
- b. Griffin
- c. David
- d. Cody

18. Who is the bystander in this story?

- a. Eric
- b. Griffin
- c. David

19. Why does Griffin's homelife sound a bit unhappy?

- a. Griffin says he hates his parents because they yell at him and his sisters.
- b. Griffin's homelife is actually happy.
- c. Griffin's father is always drunk, his mother left, and his sisters never visit.
- d. Griffin and his family are poor and live in a one room apartment.

20. What did Eric tell Griffin about that he never talks about with other people?

- a. Eric tells Griffin that he was bullied by someone at his old school.
- b. Eric tells Griffin that he lied that day on the playground about not seeing David.
- c. Eric tells Griffin about his father taking off on the family.

## Section 2: End of Book Project

Choose ONE of the following projects.

- 1) Diorama: Design a diorama depicting an important scene from the book. Include a well-written plot summary and description of the scene you chose and your reason for choosing it.

OR

- 2) Picture Book: Make a 5 page picture book showing the most important parts of the story. Each page should include an illustration (colored in) and several sentences. Include a hand-drawn cover.