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Bringing Up Boys & Girls

Why does it seem that so few women achieve professional distinction in this country? Why are so few of our practicing physicians, our lawyers, and our government officials women? It is not because there are sex differences in intelligence. The accumulated evidence shows that female intelligence is not significantly different from that of the male. There are differences in various skills, but they seem to be directly related to the way we bring up boys and girls. We encourage even the smallest boy to be innovative, but we praise little girls for conformity. Creativity, by definition, is nonconformity, and brains need to be exercised.

1. The main point of the passage is that
 - A. men and women are unequal in intellectual ability.
 - B. a person's basic intelligence remains unchanged throughout life.
 - C. differences in the intelligence of men and women have not been studied thoroughly.
 - D. the way in which we bring up boys and girls has a relationship to their later achievements.

2. The passage suggests that the best way to change the situation described is to
 - A. remember that the differences between the abilities of men and women are minor.
 - B. use difference tests to measure accurately the intelligence of men and women.
 - C. bring up our children differently than we do now.
 - D. change the abilities of men and women.

3. It appears that the intelligence of boys and girls
 - A. is not very different
 - B. is significantly different
 - C. is learned
 - D. is very different

4. Girls are not encouraged to
 - A. be innovative
 - B. conform
 - C. become professionals
 - D. all of the above

Amalya Kearse

Time magazine examines politics and business in the United States today to find people now in their 30's and early 40's who might be the leaders of the United States tomorrow. One of those named as a potential leader is Amalya Kearse, who was recently named to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit in New York, often considered the most important court below the Supreme Court. Kearse was both an outstanding law student and a highly successful attorney. She was the first Black woman to become a partner in a major Wall Street law firm.

5. The main purpose of the paragraph is to
 - A describe the philosophy of Time magazine.
 - B defend the choice of Kearse as a potential leader
 - C give facts about one of those named as a potential leader.
 - D outline the reasons why people were named by Time magazine.

6. Kearse's new job is that of a
 - A Wall Street attorney.
 - B defense attorney.
 - C law school teacher.
 - D judge

7. Kearse was named as a potential leader because
 - A a woman was needed
 - B of her accomplishments
 - C the US needs leaders
 - D she was in her 30's or early 40's

Spanish Influence

Most of us have heard the stories of the Pilgrims who landed at Plymouth Rock, and of such figures as Samuel Adams and Paul Revere, who played important parts in the American Revolution. We have thus come to accept the influence of the English on United States history. We sometimes forget, however, that another country had a considerable influence upon our country, particularly in the West and the Southwest. Such place names as Nevada and California, San Francisco and Santa Fe reveal the influence of Spain, as do words like lasso, coyote, arroyo, canyon, mesa, rodeo, pinto, and ranch, which all were originally Spanish words. They bear witness to the settlement and development of the Southwest by the Spaniards.

8. The main point of the passage is that
 - A Spain conquered parts of the United States.
 - B Spanish words are difficult for people in the East to understand.
 - C English words come primarily from England and stories from the Pilgrims
 - D Spain had a big impact on our country.

9. The passage suggests that the Spaniards had a major influence on
 - A our geographical location.
 - B our political structure.
 - C the American Revolution.
 - D our language.

10. In sentence 1, Paul Revere & Samuel Adams are referenced to
 - A praise them.
 - B give a contrast to what follows about the Spanish influences.
 - C show that England was our primary influence.
 - D illustrate the struggles of our forefathers.

11. This article is
 - A argumentative
 - B informative
 - C critical
 - D satirical

Hail

Hail is at once the cruelest weapon in nature's armory, and the most incalculable. It can destroy one farmer's prospects of a harvest in a matter of seconds; it can leave his neighbor's unimpaired. It can slay a flock of sheep (it has killed children too) in one field, while the sun continues to shine in the next. To the harassed meteorologist, its behavior is even more Machiavellian than that of an ice storm. Difficult as it undoubtedly is for him to forecast the onset of an ice storm, he knows pretty well what its course and duration will be once it has started; just about all he can do with a hailstorm is to measure the size of the stones--and they have a habit of melting as soon as he gets his hands on them. He is not even too sure any more about the way in which hail forms—and until he knows this, of course, he isn't likely to stumble upon any very satisfactory **prognostic** rules.

12. The title below that best expresses the ideas found in this passage is
- A Forecasting Ice Storms.
 - B The Way that Hail Forms
 - C The Unpredictability of Hailstorms
 - D Hail-the killer
13. As used in the passage, the word "prognostic" most nearly means
- A adverse
 - B day-by-day
 - C foretelling
 - D regular
14. Because of the unpredictability of hail
- A meteorologists don't know anything about it
 - B it is hard to make a prediction about
 - C it is impossible to study
 - D all of the above
15. Hail can destroy one neighbor and leave the other
- A untouched
 - B impaired
 - C like a Machiavellian
 - D harassed