

**from The House on Mango Street****Selection Test A****pp. 163–164****Comprehension**

1. B
2. A
3. D
4. C
5. D
6. B
7. B
8. A
9. C
10. C

**Short Response**

11. Responses will vary. Students may point out one of the following benefits of the house on Mango Street:
- A. The family owns it and will no longer have to be dependent on or controlled by a landlord (lines 6–9).
  - B. The family does not have to share a yard (line 7).
  - C. The family can be noisy (lines 7–8).
  - D. It has a garage (line 28).
12. Responses will vary. Students may give two of the following reasons why Esperanza dislikes her name:
- A. The students at school have trouble pronouncing her name correctly (line 64).
  - B. Her name does not have a “short” version (lines 67–68).
  - C. Her name reminds her of her great-grandmother, a person who did not have a happy life (lines 51–63).
  - D. She thinks that her name is too long and not bright or cheerful (lines 47–50).
  - E. She thinks that her name does not reflect her real self (lines 64–71).

**Extended Response**

13. Responses will vary. Students may give two of the following reasons why Esperanza feels proud of her great-grandmother:
- A. She was a strong woman in a society that did not like women to be strong (lines 51–58).
  - B. She tried to refuse to marry (line 56).
  - C. She never became weak enough to forgive her husband for carrying her off (lines 59–60).

D. She had the courage to hold onto her beliefs (lines 59–62).

Students may give two of the following reasons why Esperanza feels sad about her great-grandmother:

- A. She lived in a society that did not respect strong women, and she did not get the respect or the opportunities she deserved (lines 51–56).
- B. She was forced to marry and was carried off by her husband like an object without feelings (lines 56–58).
- C. Esperanza worries that she will have the same life as her great-grandmother (lines 56–63).
- D. She lived her life in sadness, forced to watch the world and not take part in it (lines 59–60).

**from The House on Mango Street****Selection Test B/C****pp. 165–166****Comprehension**

1. B
2. D
3. C
4. A
5. A
6. D
7. B
8. C
9. A
10. B

**Short Response**

11. Responses will vary. Students may give one of the following examples of how the two houses differ:
- A. Esperanza’s ideal house has three bathrooms (line 19). The house on Mango Street has one (line 31).
  - B. Esperanza’s ideal house has a front yard and a big back yard with grass (lines 21–22). The house on Mango Street has no front yard and a very small back yard (lines 27–30).
  - C. Esperanza’s ideal house is white (line 20). The house on Mango Street is red (line 25).
12. Responses will vary. Students may give one of the following details to explain why

## ANSWER KEY CONTINUED

Esperanza believes that her family will not be able to move to a better house:

- A. Her father talks about moving only when he has bought a lottery ticket (lines 21–22). He knows that hard work alone will not provide enough money for this family.
- B. Her mother talks about moving when she is telling bedtime stories to her children (lines 22–23). This suggests that a bigger house is make-believe, like a bedtime story.
- C. The house on Mango Street has a garage, but the family does not have a car (lines 28–29). If the family does not have money to buy a car, it is unlikely that they will be able to buy a better house.

### Extended Response

- 13.** Responses will vary. Students may give the following examples to explain why Esperanza believes that no one knows the real her:
- A. She and her family move often, sometimes from one side of town to the other, which can make it difficult to create strong friendships (lines 1–5).
  - B. She thinks that the nun’s appalled reaction to the apartment on Loomis identifies her as an economic outsider (lines 40–43).
  - C. She does not think that her name has an important enough meaning in Spanish (lines 47–50).
  - D. She rejects the part of her cultural heritage that gives women a subservient place (lines 51–54 and 62–63).
  - E. She minds that people at school mispronounce her name (lines 64–65).
  - F. She believes that her name does not reflect her real self (lines 69–71).
  - G. She does not want to belong on Mango Street (lines 77–78).
- 14.** Responses will vary. Students may present the following details to show how Esperanza uses her ability to tell stories to escape Mango Street:
- A. She talks about herself in the third person and in this way pretends that another girl is living her life (lines 74–76).
  - B. She makes her feelings about Mango Street concrete by writing them down and in this way is able to confront them on a rational rather than an emotional level (lines 74–76).

- C. Her stories relieve the sadness she feels (line 83).
  - D. She frees herself from the image of being trapped by Mango Street (lines 84–85).
  - E. She imagines possibilities that give her goals and inspire her to move on with her life (lines 87–90).
- Students may present the following details to show how Esperanza will use the ability to tell stories to return to Mango Street:
- A. She will speak on behalf of the people on Mango Street—living and dead—who are unable to speak for themselves (lines 91–92).
  - B. She will tell the reading public what it is like to live in a very small, shabby house in a poor neighborhood (lines 77–82 and 89–90).
  - C. She will retain a tie to a past about which she has mixed feelings (lines 77–78 and 91–92).

## Consumer Documents: From the Manufacturer to You

### Selection Test A

*pp. 167–168*

### Comprehension

1. B
2. D
3. C
4. B
5. D
6. A
7. B
8. A
9. C
10. D

### Short Response

- 11.** Responses will vary. The game console’s instructions are too advanced for a young child. More importantly, the safety precautions are extensive and suggest that the user needs to exercise care when using the game.
- 12.** Responses will vary. If the game console malfunctions, you should unplug it and contact a qualified service person. Do not attempt to fix it yourself. If it is under the 90-day warranty, return the console to the place of purchase. If it is within the 1-year