“My Name” – Short Assessment

1. According to the text, how does the speaker feel about her name?
   1. She feels that her name suits her personality.
   2. She feels that her name empowers her to be better.
   3. She feels that her name constricts her from being her true self.
   4. She feels that her name perfectly captures her identity.

2. What is the theme or central idea of the text?

1. A name can often play a significant role in one’s identity.
2. Strength is never a characteristic that lasts.
3. Women are often victims of gender conflict.
4. Cultures, while seemingly different, often possess important similarities.

3. All of the following statements support the speaker’s desire to change her name ***except*** which of the following?

1. The speaker believes her name does not reflect her inner strength.
2. The speaker believes her name is made out of a softer something, like silver.
3. The speaker understands that her name cannot be shortened like her sister’s.
4. The speaker compares her name to a “muddy color, ““sadness,” and a “song like sobbing.”
5. The anecdote of the grandmother is used to communicate the speaker’s
   1. pride and fear.
   2. excitement and insecurity.
   3. confusion and fear.
   4. pride and shame.
6. Zeze the X most likely stands for the speaker’s sense of
   1. doubt.
   2. strength.
   3. curiosity.
   4. loneliness.

6. The speaker compares the Mexican culture to the Chinese culture mostly to

1. inform the reader of their similar calendar identities.
2. inform the reader that her name is bad luck in both cultures.
3. contrast the Chinese and Mexican cultures to the English cultures.
4. imply that gender inequality exists in other cultures.

Answers

1. C
2. A
3. B
4. A
5. B
6. D