

Literary Appreciation

Novel: The Skin I'm In

Chapters: 1 and 2

Instructions: Choose the correct answer based on information contained in chapters 1 and 2 in the novel, **"The Skin I'm In"**.

1. Who is the narrator in the first two chapters of the novel?
(A) Sharon G. Flake (B) The Principal (C) Maleeka Madison (D) John-John
2. Which literary term can be substituted for the term narrator?
(A) Author (B) Character (C) Novelist (D) Speaker
3. **"Before I catch myself, my eyes ricochet like pin ball"**. Name the figure of speech used in the quoted lines.
(A) Simile (B) Metaphor (C) Personification (D) Hyperbole
4. The narrator refers to one of his/her teacher as "the scar-faced teacher". What is the full name of the teacher to whom he/she was referring?
(A) Michelle Saunders (B) Michael Saunders (C) John-John (D) Caleb Jones
5. **"If you are so high and mighty, what're you doing in a dump like this?"**
What is the speaker referring to in the quoted line above?
(A) The garbage bin (B) the dump site (C) the school (D) the toilet
6. What is the name of the institution that these students attend?
(A) McClenton High School (B) McClenton Middle School
(C) McClenton Junior High (D) McClenton Primary School
7. How long does a class period last at this institution?
(A) 30 minutes (B) 45 minutes (C) 55 minutes (D) 1 hour
8. What grade level was Maleeka Madison?
(A) Grade 7 (B) Grade 8 (C) Grade 9 (D) Grade 10

9. According to the narrator, one can buy a coat from Juju for a Benjamin. How much is a Benjamin?

- (A) \$ 50 (B) \$100 (C) \$ 500 (D) \$ 1000

10. Which of the following activities Maleeka's mom indulges in to cope with the loss of her father?

- (A) reading (B) selling (C) teaching (D) sewing

Instruction: For questions **11-15**, **match** each character with their description.

Characters

- 11. Juju
- 12. Worm
- 13. Maleeka
- 14. Tai
- 15. John-John

Descriptions

- The math teacher
- Charlese's sister
- Short seventh grade boy
- Charlese's boyfriend
- The English teacher
- The narrator

Instruction: Write one word in the box to complete each sentence below.

16. Miss Saunders and Tai were roommates at _____.

17. Another word for U.S. \$100 is _____.

18. The place where all the events take place can best be described as the _____.

19. Maleeka is the main character in the novel. She can best be described as the _____.

20. Maleeka's mom sews clothes for her to go to school. What is the occupation of a woman who sews clothes for a living? _____