

QUIZ / Q3 / LANGUAGE ARTS

Author's word choice, purpose, and main idea relate to audience.

Question 1

Read the following passage. Write an X next to the correct response.

Here's one story of how coffee was discovered. A goat herder in Abyssinia noticed that his usually calm goats were acting very hyper! He saw that they were eating red berries, so he tasted the berries himself and soon felt wide awake. He brought some of the berries to a local holy man who threw them in the fire. Soon, they noticed a wonderful smell. The holy man put the roasted berries in water and drank the first cup of coffee.

What is the purpose of this passage?

- ☐ to persuade
- ☐ to entertain
- ☐ to inform or explain
- ☐ to express thoughts and feelings

Question 2

Read the following passage. Write an X next to the correct response.

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Who is the intended audience for this text?

- ☐ a general audience
- ☐ coffee-shop owners
- ☐ school children
- ☐ office workers

Question 3

Read the information below. Write an X next to the correct response.

An article titled "Problems Associated with Cancer-Related Anemia" was published last month in a journal called *The Medical Journal*.

Who would most likely read this article?

- ☐ a general audience
- ☐ high-school students
- ☐ chemistry teachers
- ☐ doctors

Question 4

Read the following passage. Write an X next to the correct response.

Remember, when taking standardized tests, you should make sure to read *all* answer choices. Eliminate the choices you know are wrong. Then, look at the remaining choices.

What is author's intended purpose?

- ☐ to entertain
- ☐ to compare ideas
- ☐ to persuade
- ☐ to provide directions

Question 5

Read the information below. Write an X next to the correct response.

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Who is the most intended audience for this text?

- ☐ test writers
- ☐ teachers
- ☐ students
- ☐ a general audience