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## **Edge Level A Unit 2 Cluster 3**

### **“Calling a Foul”**

\_\_\_\_ 1. If this news commentary was rewritten as a newspaper article, which title would be most accurate?

F. “Helping Your Child Athlete Be a Good Sport”  
G. “Balanced Diets Make Good Young Athletes”  
H. “Volunteer Coaches Are the Backbone of Youth Sports”  
I. “Youth Sports and Parental Rage—A Bad Mix”

\_\_\_\_ 2. Which statement about Sandra Cisneros and Stan Simpson is NOT true?

A. Cisneros wanted her parents to be involved in her desire to be an author and Simpson writes of parents that are too involved in their children’s sporting events.  
B. Cisneros is of Mexican-American heritage and Simpson is an African-American.  
C. Cisneros is a nonfiction writer and Simpson is a writer of fiction.  
D. Cisneros earns her living by writing books and Simpson earns his living by a newspaper column.

\_\_\_\_ 3. Which best defines Stan Simpson’s writing style as a columnist?

F. He writes emotional and sometimes humorous observations of life around him.  
G. He summarizes the week’s sporting events in his area.  
H. He collects and communicates information about current events, people, and issues.  
I. He gathers and relates facts, and then he writes opinions based on those facts.

\_\_\_\_ 4. Read the sentence from the news commentary.

**And it’s not unusual for parents to be banned from a game until they can control their emotions.**

Which statement is most similar in meaning to the excerpt above?

A. Parents are emotionally involved in the welfare of their children, and sometimes they cheer loudly for their child’s team.  
B. All too often young athletes misbehave during a game, and their parents must take them home until they can control their behavior.  
C. Usually parents are welcomed to attend their child’s sporting events in order to support the young athletes and their hard-working coaches.  
D. It is common for parents to be officially forbidden to attend their child’s sporting activity until they can behave properly.

\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Why do Sandra Cisneros and Stan Simpson write?

- F. Cisneros writes to entertain readers while Simpson writes to inform readers.
- G. Cisneros writes to please her father while Simpson writes to please the newspaper subscribers.
- H. Cisneros writes to tell about the Mexican-American culture while Simpson writes to address issues of importance to the African-American community.
- I. Cisneros writes on topics assigned by her college professors while Simpson writes about topics assigned by his sports editor.