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PURPOSE, MOOD AND TONE

Read the following passage and answer the questions about purpose and tone by noticing clues that are used in the passages

Passage1

In 1997, Stephen Cowans was convicted of shooting a police officer and was locked up in jail after two fingerprint experts proved that the fingerprints, which were found at the crime scene, matched the man's. However, it turned out later that the fingerprints were made by someone else. This shows that fingerprint evidence is not always completely reliable. Fingerprint examiners, for example, can make errors and some experts are not even required to pass certification exams. Thus, in these cases, the so-called experts are incompetent and the fingerprints sometimes can be unstable evidence for proof of guilt.

1) What is the purpose of this passage?

1. To describe the history of fingerprint evidence.
2. To persuade readers that fingerprint evidence is sometimes unreliable.
3. To clarify the fact that fingerprints can be used for the investigation.
4. To impress the readers that the examiners can use fingerprints as proof of guilt.
5. To inform readers that the police may use fingerprints to arrest the burglar.

2) What is the tone of this paragraph?

1. appreciate 2. informative 3. critical 4. bitter 5. sarcastic

Half Full

A rainy day will go away.
A failing grade can soon be raised.
A nasty cut in time will shut.
A dire year will disappear.

1. What word below best describes the tone of this poem?

1. Melancholic 2. Cynical 3. Optimistic 4. Disappointed 5. Haughty

Do unto others as you would have them do unto you.

1. What is the purpose of this saying?

1. to teach 2. to threaten 3. to command 4. to inform 5. to criticize

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