

“COCO” practice questions

STAAR ALIGNED



5 STAAR-aligned questions for a
NewsELA article about the hit
movie “Coco”

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TEACHER INSTRUCTIONS

Thank you for downloading my product! I designed these questions because I try to make my test prep as engaging as possible for my students. These questions are STAAR aligned and designed to go along with an article from NewsELA titled **"Disney-Pixar's "Coco" celebrates Mexican culture."** NewsELA is a free resource, so anyone with an account can access this article. Please ensure that you are using the **FOURTH GRADE** version of the article, as that was the level I used when making the questions.

Link to NewsELA article (copy and paste into your browser):

<https://newsela.com/read/coco-movie-mexico-USA/id/38084/>

1. Which sentence from the selection shows that “Coco” makes an important political statement?

- A. *“Coco” has been a hit since it opened in Mexico on October 27.*
- B. *Many people in Mexico see the movie pushing back against Trump and his anti-Mexican talk.*
- C. *Molina said the plan was always to show the beauty of Mexican culture, family and traditions.*
- D. *Josefina Acosta Perez went to the movie with her son to celebrate her 60th birthday.*

2. The author most likely included the section titled “**People Will See A Different Side Of Mexico**” to—

- A. Explain why Donald Trump wants the U.S. to leave NAFTA
- B. Describe the plot of the movie “Coco”
- C. Compare “Coco” to other movies that take place in Mexico
- D. Explain why “Coco” could influence how people view Mexico

3. Read the dictionary entry below.

el·e·vate \ 'elə, vāt\ *verb*

- 1. to raise or lift to a higher position
- 2. to promote to a more impressive position or job
- 3. to increase the amount or level of something
- 4. raise the axis of (a piece of artillery) to increase its range

Which definition best matches the way the word elevates is used in the last paragraph?

- A. Definition 1
- B. Definition 2
- C. Definition 3
- D. Definition 4

4. The main purpose of paragraph 4 is most likely to—

- A. Emphasize how popular “Coco” has been
- B. Compare the success of “Coco” to other movies
- C. Describe the plot of “Coco”
- D. Persuade the reader to see “Coco” in theaters

5. Read this excerpt from the selection.

Directors Lee Unkrich and Adrian Molina began making "Coco" six years ago. Back then, people did not think Donald Trump would become president.

What can the reader conclude about the directors of “Coco” from this sentence?

- A. They changed the plot of the movie “Coco” after Donald Trump was elected
- B. They did not anticipate their movie’s message being tied to Donald Trump and his negative views of Mexico
- C. They do not support President Trump and his views of Mexico
- D. They created this movie to change the way Donald Trump and his supporters view Mexico

Answer Key

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

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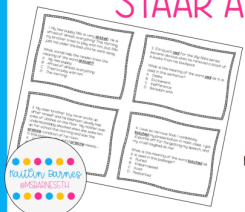
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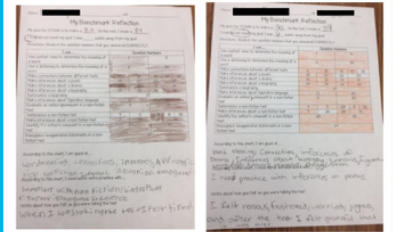
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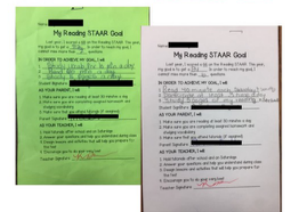


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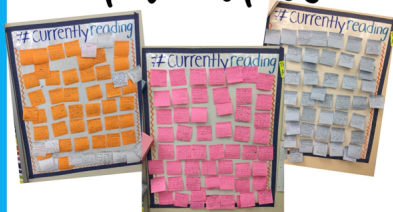
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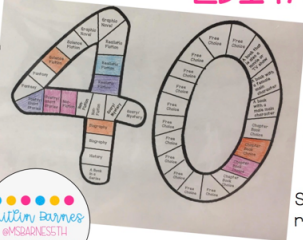


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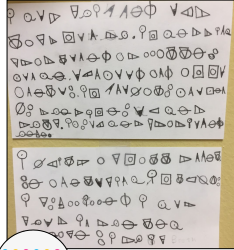
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