

Common Core Aligned Comprehension Assessment

Peppe the Lamplighter CCSS Assessment

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Directions:

Use what you know about *Peppe the Lamplighter* to answer each of the following questions.

1. Why was it important for Peppe to find a job in Little Italy?

- A He was an orphan.
- B He needed to help take care of his sick father and many sisters.
- C He was trying to earn enough money to go to America.
- D He did not want to go to school.

2. Which of these is a problem that Peppe has to overcome?

- A His father does not approve of his job and Peppe feels ashamed.
- B Someone steals his money.
- C The only job he can find is sweeping the floor of the butcher shop.
- D None of his sisters trust him.

3. What effect do his father's words have on Peppe?

- A Peppe decides to move to Naples with one of his sisters.
- B It doesn't bother him at all, and he makes a wish for his dad on one of the lamps.
- C He is so angry that he runs away, and no one can find him.
- D He is so hurt and ashamed that he doesn't want to leave the house or do his job.

4. Why does Peppe repeat, "This is for...." as he lights each streetlight?

- A He is pretending they are like prayer/wish candles at church.
- B He is bored and this helps time go faster.
- C Each streetlight belongs to a different person.
- D It is part of a song his sister likes.

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5. Which part of the story has the most action and helps to change Papa's mind? (RL.2.5)

- A The most action happens at the beginning, when he is looking for a job.
- B It is most exciting when he goes to Italy.
- C The part with the most action is when Assunta is lost, and the streets are dark.
- D The part when we find out his dad is upset has the most action.

6. How is Papa's view of Peppe's job different than the sisters' views? (RL.2.6)

- A Papa is angry, but the sisters are all proud of Peppe.
- B Papa is very happy, but his sisters think his job is not good enough.
- C Papa doesn't care, but his sisters want to get a job just like Peppe.
- D Papa is worried that Peppe will not make enough money, but his sisters aren't.

7. What do the words and illustrations tell you about where Peppe's family lives? (RL.2.7)

- A It is in modern times, in a poor neighborhood.
- B Peppe's family is very rich and live in a big house in the city.
- C It is in an American city long ago, before electricity and cars.
- D The rest of his family is in Naples, but Peppe came to America by himself.

8. How are streetlights from long ago the same as streetlights we have now? (RL.2.9)

- A Both use electricity.
- B Both now and long ago, streetlights were lit one at a time.
- C Streetlights long ago were house-shaped, but now they are round.
- D They are both tall and are used when it starts to get dark.

9. Based on what you know about Peppe, what will happen when Domenico comes back from Italy? (RL.2.10)

- A He will not give Domenico his job back.
- B He will work hard to find another job, so he can help his family.
- C He will stop working and sit around the house all day.
- D He will run away.

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