# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Work Packet Week of April 19-23, 2021

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\*Please do not begin any assignments until instructed by Ms. Eggink.\*

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# Directions Read this story. Then answer questions 8 through 14.

## Yasmeen's Turn

by Carol Fraser Hagen

1	Yasmeen squirmed at her desk. She felt sweat beads forming along her neck.
2	Mrs. Cross, Yasmeen's third grade teacher, announced, "Boys and girls, you have been learning about world customs. Be ready to share one of your family's customs, tomorrow."
3	After school, Yasmeen dragged her backpack along, thinking about the day's assignment. "I'm the only Indian student in my class," she thought, "what will everyone think about my family's customs?"
4	At home, Yasmeen moped through the kitchen door. Her heart fluttered when she saw her <i>amma</i> , her mother, busily crushing henna leaves.
5	"How was school today?" her amma asked, in her soft Indian accent.
6	"Fine," Yasmeen said. She dropped her backpack and slid into a kitchen chair.
7	"Ready for <i>Eid-ul-Fitr</i> tonight?" <i>Amma</i> smiled.
8	Yasmeen shrugged. Normally, she'd be tickled with excitement inside when her aunts, uncles and cousins came to celebrate the end of Ramadan, the ninth month of the Islamic year. This holy month is observed with prayers and fasting during daylight hours.
9	Yasmeen slid down further in her seat. She twirled a strand of her long hair around her finger, while <i>Amma</i> crushed more leaves into a powder. "What am I going to share tomorrow?" Yasmeen wondered.
10	Later, Yasmeen explored the house, trying to find an idea for her assignment. She found her abba's Koran. She flipped through the worn pages of her father's leather-bound book. Maybe I'll take this to school, she thought.
11	But then she shook her head. The Koran isn't a custom. She carefully laid down the holy book. Anyway, <i>Abba</i> would never let me take it to school.
12	A beautiful salwar kameez hung on Amma's bedroom door. Salwar kameez is a long-sleeved shirt and baggy pants, with a thin, silky shawl. All three are ornately decorated with sparkling beads, sequins and colorful embroidery, in a variety of colors. The colorful sequins and beads on Amma's dress and shawl glistened. Tonight, Amma would wear her new dress to the party.
	and the party.

Maybe I'll wear my salwar kameez to school. Wrong! Everybody might laugh at me. Tears

Yasmeen walked into the kitchen. Leaning in the doorway, she wiped a tear from her cheek.

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filled Yasmeen's deep brown eyes as she tried to figure out what to share.

She watched *Amma* stir henna powder into a smooth paste, adding lemon juice and tamarind water. *Amma* then filled cones with the henna paste, to be used at the party.

Yasmeen coiled her hair around her pinkie. *I'll ask Tahira*. *She'll know what I can share*, she thought.

"I have to share a family custom tomorrow," Yasmeen said, peeking into her older sister's bedroom. Her eyes explored the top of Tahira's dresser. It overflowed with sparkling earrings and necklaces. Mixed among the other jewelry, golden bangles shimmered.

"Show some jewelry," Tahira suggested, jangling several shiny bangles on her wrist.

"I guess," Yasmeen said, tugging at strands of her hair. "Except, everybody wears jewelry."

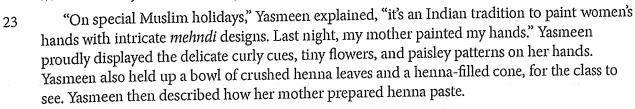
That night at the party the aroma of herbs from the henna filled the living room. All the girls and ladies in their glittering dresses gathered around the sofa to visit and have their hands painted with *mehndi* (henna paste).

It was Yasmeen's turn. With a cone of henna paste, Amma painted tiny flowers, paisley designs, and intricate patterns on Yasmeen's hands.

21 Seconds later, Yasmeen sat straight up. "That's it," she blurted out, "Mehndi!"

At school the next day, Yasmeen waited for her turn to share. Her face didn't blush. She didn't even feel hot. *I'm* 

not nervous anymore, she thought. With a wide smile, Yasmeen stood before the class.



"Could you paint a mehndi design on my hand?" Mrs. Cross asked.

Yasmeen felt herself gasp at Mrs. Cross's question. Her mouth opened and stayed open as classmates held out their hands. "Me, too! Will you draw on my hands, too?"

26 "And mine!"

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27 "Mine, too!"

Yasmeen's feet danced her home, her hands waving in the air to lead the way. The spicy scent of tamarind and henna filled her nose. "*Amma*! *Amma*! You will never believe what happened today."

- In paragraph 3, what does the phrase "dragged her backpack along" suggest about Yasmeen? She is nervous about the upcoming holiday. She treats her possessions carelessly. She is in an unhappy mood. She carries heavy books. As her family prepares for the holiday Eid-ul-Fitr, how is Yasmeen's experience this year different from other years? She feels proud of her family this year. She feels worried about school this year. She thinks about getting dressed up this year. D She wants to spend time with the other ladies this year. Based on paragraphs 10 and 11, what does Yasmeen understand about her father?
- - A He prefers old books over new books.
  - The Koran is very precious to him.
  - C Reading is one of his favorite activities.
  - D He thinks the Koran is too delicate to take to school.
- What is the most important way that paragraphs 13 and 14 develop the story?
  - They show the process of making henna paste.
  - They provide additional details about the setting.
  - They present a hint about how the problem will be solved.
  - They provide information about the characters' appearance.

- In paragraphs 12 and 19, what does the reader learn about how Yasmeen's family celebrates Eid-ul-Fitr?
  - A Jewelry is exchanged at the celebration.
  - B Hand painting is done first at the celebration.
  - C Herbs are used for cooking during the celebration.
  - D Dressing in fine clothing is part of the celebration.
- In paragraph 25, the narrator explains that Yasmeen "felt herself gasp" to show that Yasmeen feels
  - A surprised by the teacher's response
  - B nervous about what will happen next
  - C confused by her classmates' requests
  - D afraid to tell her parents about what happened
- What is the most important lesson that Yasmeen learns in the story?
  - A Family belongings should be treated with respect.
  - B Sharing family traditions can be rewarding.
  - C Sharing holidays with family is important.
  - D Family traditions change over time.

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- 1. As her family prepares for the holiday Eid-ul- Fitr, how is Yasmeen's experience this year different from other years?
  - A. She feels proud of her family this year.
  - B. She feels worried about school this year.
  - C. She thinks about getting dressed up this year.
  - D. She wants to spend time with the other ladies this year.
- 2. How do paragraphs 1-3 connect to paragraph 28?
  - A. In paragraphs 1-3 Yasmeen is excited to share her family custom and in paragraph 28 she presents to her class.
  - B. In paragraphs 1-3 Yasmeen feels nervous about having to share her customs in class and in paragraph 28 Yasmeen feels proud of her presentation.
  - C. In paragraphs 1-3 Yasmeen feels nervous about attending Eid-ul-Fitr that night and in paragraph 28 she expresses how much fun she had to her Amma.
  - D. In paragraph 28 Yasmeen feels nervous and in paragraphs 1-3 she also feels nervous.
- 3. How did the author organize the main ideas of the story?
  - A. the story is told in a chronological sequence
  - B. There is a problem that Yasmeen has that she solves at the end of the story
  - C. Yasmeen compares her family customs to her other family customs
  - D. The author has a specific topic that is described with details

- 4. How are Yasmeen's feelings described in paragraphs 22 & 23 different form her feelings at the beginning of the story?
  - A. In paragraphs 22 & 23 Yasmeen is hungry and at the beginning of the story she is sleepy.
  - B. In paragraphs 22 & 23 Yasmeen is nervous and at the beginning of the story she is confident
  - C. In paragraphs 22 & 23 Yasmeen is excited just like she is at the beginning of the story.
  - D. In paragraphs 22 & 23 Yasmeen is proud and confident and at the beginning of the story she is nervous.
- 5. How do paragraphs 20-28 support the theme of the passage?

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## Context Clues

Sometimes a synonym is given or a word is explained in a simpler way. This is called an <u>synonym</u> or <u>restatement</u> clue.





Sometimes the reader has to make an inference. The reader has to think about what they already know in order to figure out the meaning of an unknown word. This is called an <u>inference</u> clue.

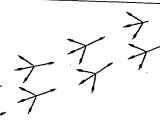
1.	Megan decided to go for a stroll. It would feel good to stretch her legs and walk.  What is the meaning of stroll?			
	Which type of context clue was used?			
2.	. The hikers hoped to reach the <u>summit</u> of the mountain by noon.			
	What is the meaning of summit?	A		
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	What is the meaning of <u>terminate</u> ?			
	Which type of context clue was used?			
4.	The mood at the funeral was very somber.			
	What is the meaning of somber?			
	Which type of context clue was used?			<b>6</b>
5.	Joe begged his mom to let him stay up a <u>wee</u> bit later — only a few minutes.  What is the meaning of <u>wee</u> ?			
	Which type of context clue was used?			
6. T	The sound of the two trains barreling down the tracks at once was <u>deafening</u> l What is the meaning of <u>deafening</u> ?			
1	Which type of context clue was used?		•	

7.	Mrs. Thompson told her students that it would be beneficial for them to study for their test.
	What is the meaning of beneficial?
	Which type of context clue was used?
8.	The team was quite <u>boisterous</u> after they won the game. I had to cover my ears because they were so loud.
	What is the meaning of boisterous?
	Which type of context clue was used?
<b>9</b> .	Josh decided to be <u>bold</u> and confront the kid who was picking on his little sister.  Everyone was surprised by his bravery.
	What is the meaning of bold?
	Which type of context clue was used?
10.	Abby <u>devoured</u> every last bite of the delicious chocolate cupcake.
	What is the meaning of devoured?
	Which type of context clue was used?
11.	The teacher decided to <u>initiate</u> a new behavior program.
	What is the meaning of initiate?
	Which type of context clue was used?
12.	The students were <u>incensed</u> that their Halloween party was shortened because of their classmate's poor behavior.
	What is the meaning of incensed?
	Which type of context clue was used?
13	. Tom could barely see the <u>diminutive</u> person waving at him from the other side of the park.
	What is the meaning of diminutive?
	Which type of context clue was used?
14	. Joe <u>vaulted,</u> or jumped, over the fence when he saw the dog chasing him.
	What is the meaning of vaulted?
	Which type of context clue was used?
15	. My dad is on a diet. He tries to not <u>consume</u> more than 2000 calories a day.
	What is the meaning of consume?
	Which type of context clue was used?

# Context Glues

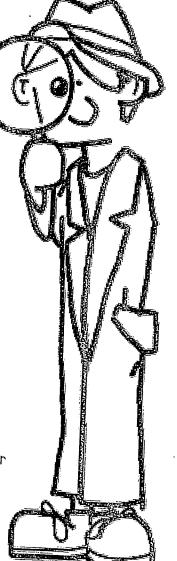
Sometimes a word is contrasted with a word of opposite meaning. This is called an <u>antonym</u> or <u>contrast</u> clue.





Sometimes a word is clearly explained, immediately after its use. This is called a <u>definition</u> or <u>explanation</u> clue.

I. Compared to her last tiny house, her new house seems massive!
What is the meaning of massive?
Which type of context clue was used?
2. Unlike the slow-moving creek near the park, this river had a <u>swift</u> current.
What is the meaning of swift?
Which type of context clue was used?
3. The two squirrels seemed to <u>frolic</u> as they ran up the tree. Frolic means to play in a fun way.
What is the meaning of <u>frolic</u> ?
Which type of context clue was used?
4. The hikers guessed that it would take 3 full days to reach the pinnacle, or top, of the mountain.  What is the meaning of pinnacle?
Which type of context clue was used?
<ol> <li>John was very <u>irritated</u> that they were going to be late for the movie. However, it didn't seem to bother Pam at all.</li> </ol>
What is the meaning of <u>irritated</u> ?
Which type of context clue was used?
6. What a difference a week makes! Last week, Amber was very disappointed after her soccer team's loss. This week, though, she was <u>elated</u> when the game was over!
What is the meaning of <u>elated?</u>
Which type of context clue was used?



7.	Kyle was exhausted. The drill sergeant made them start marching an hour ago. Finally the drill sergeant barked " <u>Halt</u> !"
	What is the meaning of halt?
	Which type of context clue was used?
8.	The Civil War nurses tried to be <u>compassionate</u> to their patients.  Compassionate means to act in a tender or kind manner.
	What is the meaning of compassionate?
	Which type of context clue was used?
٩.	Marty's mom decided to buy her son a <u>miniature</u> basketball. A large basketball was still too big for her four-year-old son.
	What is the meaning of miniature?
	Which type of context clue was used?
Ю.	The Modern Olympics commenced, or began, in 1986.
	What is the meaning of commenced?
	Which type of context clue was used?
11.	The men were exhausted after toiling in the dark mines all day. To toil means to work.
	What is the meaning of toiling?
	Which type of context clue was used?
12	. Gabe ran as fast as he could to greet his mom. Pat, on the other hand, sauntered over at a normal pace.
	What is the meaning of <u>sauntered?</u>
	Which type of context clue was used?
13	. In the late 1800s, blue jeans were a pretty <u>novel</u> idea. It was different than anything seen or known before.
	What is the meaning of <u>novel</u> ?
	Which type of context clue was used?
14	. A week ago, when the family boarded the airplane to go on vacation, they were feeling very excited! As they boarded the plane to return home, however, they were much more <u>pensive</u> .
	What is the meaning of pensive?
	Which type of context clue was used?

## Context Glues

Sometimes examples are provided. The examples help the reader understand the meaning of the word. This is called an <u>example</u> clue.

Directions: Read each numbered item, noticing the underlined word. Write the meaning of the underlined word on the line. Highlight example clues you find in each of the items.

Į.	When Coach Kluver leads our strength camp sessions, we know we are in for a <u>grueling</u> workout. He makes us do push-ups, sit-ups, lunges, and wall sits.
	What is the meaning of grueling?
2	. Mindy tends to <u>exaggerate</u> when she tells stories. For instance, I heard her tell her mom about how she got a bloody nose at school last week, and she said blood got all over her desk. In truth, about three drops of blood fell onto her desk.
	What is the meaning of exaggerate?
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	What is the meaning of <u>aversion</u> ?
4.	Mrs. Malsom wished she had not hired the <u>indolent</u> teenager to babysit her children during the summer while she was at work. According to her children, the babysitter spent most of her time watching TV and looking at her cell phone.
	What is the meaning of <u>indolent</u> ?
5.	Tyler is often <u>vexed</u> by his younger brothers, especially when they get into his things, and when they follow him around when he is hanging out with his friends.
	What is the meaning of <u>vexed</u> ?
6.	Jennifer is <u>lithe</u> and graceful. She makes those flips and twists on the balance beam look simple.  What is the meaning of <u>lithe?</u>
7.	The director of the play looked at the crown and frowned. "That doesn't look like a real crown. It needs to be bedecked with diamonds, rubies, and other jewels."
	What is the meaning of <u>bedecked</u> ?
8.	Eleven-year-old Easton began to <u>taunt</u> his younger brother. "Come and get me," he yelled, standing perfectly still. Then, when Mason ran to tag him, Easton jumped out of the way at the last moment and started to laugh as he ran to a new area of their backyard.
	What is the meaning of taunt?

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## Context Clues

Directions: Read each numbered item in Column A. Choose the meaning in Column B that best defines the underlined word in the sentence. Write the letter on the line.

Column A
I. The directions for putting the toy robot together were not very <u>lucid</u> . It took us hours to figure it out.
2. Mrs. Stevens made an <u>impromptu</u> decision. "Since the weather is so beautiful, we are going to take our books outside and read today," she told her students.
3. Before painting her nails, the woman pushed back her cuticles. The cuticle is the thin layer of skin that surrounds the edge of toenails and fingernails.
4. When Mr. Lewis stopped giving instructions, ten arms shot into the air. "If your comment or question is pertinent to this activity, keep your hand up. If your comment is off-topic, please put your hand down."
5. Many of the parents in the bleachers began to <u>jeer</u> the referee because they didn't agree with his call.
6. The mouse skittered along the wall and disappeared.
7. The two major roads <u>converge</u> near the middle of town.
8. "When Bryce and I played on the same team, we were <u>allies</u> .  Now, we are bitter rivals," explained Christopher.
9. Carla is the perfect cheerleader because she has such a vibrant personality. She is always cheerful and energetic
10. I felt that Max's remarks to Shelly were rather <u>callous</u> and cold-hearted.
II. My mom seems to have the <u>uncanny</u> ability to know exactly what I'm thinking before I even say a word.
12. Leah felt her <u>ire</u> rise as Kylie told her about the rumors that were being spread about her.
13. "I just realized that you <u>evaded</u> my question," Ben's dad said.

"I'm going to ask it again, and this time I want a direct

answer."

### Column B

- A. to be related to the matter at hand
- B. mean or unkind
- C. anger
- D. clear and understandable
- E. to yell at or speak at rudely
- F. strange or amazing
- G. to run quickly
- H. to avoid
- I. the area around fingernails and toenails
- J. sudden, without any preparation
- K. lively
- L. to associate closely, as in friendship
- M. to meet or come together



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### NY Reading - Grade 5 Week 1 Day B

## BMX Racing<sup>1</sup>

by Bill Gutman

- 1 BMX means "bicycle motocross." If you like riding a bicycle fast, and if you like a good challenge, BMX racing may be the perfect sport for you.
- You have to be an outstanding rider for BMX racing. You also have to be in top physical condition. You can't worry about an occasional bump or bruise. You are going to fall—usually when you and another rider collide.

A BMX Race

- 3 Some riders prefer freestyle BMX— doing jumps, wheelies, and other tricks. There are freestyle contests, but a freestyle rider performs alone. He is judged only on his skill with his bike.
- In BMX racing, you are going head-to-head against your opponents. It's a race to see who can cross the finish line first. You have to give everything you have for the whole race. You have to be competitive. You are racing to win.

#### **How BMX Racing Got Started**

- 5 BMX racing began in the early 1970s in California. Young bicyclists wanted to do more than just ride around on their bikes. So they began racing and doing tricks.
- In 1970, a motorcycle movie called *On Any Sunday* showed motorcycles riding over rough terrain and flying high into the air. The movie gave some young riders the idea to make tracks with bumps and hills for bicycle racing.
- 7 The young riders quickly learned that their bikes just couldn't take the pounding. There were bent rims, broken spokes, and cracked frames. The riders had to try something different.

#### The BMX Bicycle

8 Soon bicycle manufacturers began to make a new kind of bike—the BMX bike—just

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- for racing. With 20-inch (50-centimeter) tires, the bike was smaller and lighter than a regular street bike.
- The BMX racing bike also had a very strong frame. The new bike was strong but light, and could go very fast. It could take the pounding a rider gave it, whether racing on a BMX track or doing freestyle tricks.
- BMX bikes cost from about \$100 for a basic model to \$600 or more for a racing model. A bike that you buy at a shop is called a stock bike, no matter what the cost. Some racers like to customize or "trick out" their bikes. That means changing the bike to make it faster and better.
- If you want to race, a good rule is to buy the best bike you can afford. Learn about it.

  If you want to make it better, buy better parts when you can. Before long, you will have a great racing bike.

#### The Track

- BMX racers run on dirt tracks that are 800 to 1400 feet (240 to 420 meters) long. Most are level, but a few of the longer ones run downhill. The dirt on the track should be packed hard for better traction.
- Even level BMX tracks aren't flat. They have jumps, bumps, and turns. A good track usually has one big jump and several smaller ones. Turns to both the right and left are called S-turns. Banks on the turns are called berms.
- Most tracks also have a series of rounded bumps placed close together. These are called whoop-de-doos or whoops. Some big jumps have flat tops, called tabletops. Racers fly off the tabletops during a race.
- 15 It takes real skill to speed over these BMX tracks, especially in a close race.

1. Read these sentences from paragraphs 2 and 11.

You have to be an outstanding rider for BMX racing.

If you want to race, a good rule is to buy the best bike you can afford.

What can the reader conclude from these sentences?

- A. Tricks and expensive gear make BMX racing appealing.
- B. BMX racers need practice and money to be successful.
- C. Skill and good equipment are important in BMX racing.
- D. BMX racers will win with the right preparation and tools.
- 2. Which detail would be most important to include in a summary of the article?
  - A. "In BMX racing, you are going head-to-head against your opponents. It's a race to see who can cross the finish line first." (paragraph 3)
  - B. "The movie gave some young riders the idea to make tracks with bumps and hills for bicycle racing." (paragraph 6)
  - C. "A bike that you buy at a shop is called a stock bike, no matter what the cost. Some racers like to customize or "trick out" their bikes." (paragraph 10)
  - D. "The dirt on the track should be packed hard for better traction." (paragraph 12)
- 3. Which of these is more important to BMX racing than to freestyle BMX?
  - A. danger
  - B. difficulty
  - C. expense
  - D. speed

- 4. The word "collide" comes from a Latin word meaning "strike together." Based on this information, what is the meaning of "collide" in paragraph 2?
  - A. bump into with force
  - B. hit with an object
  - C. injure by bruising
  - D. swing against
- 5. Which paragraph does the photograph of the racers best help the reader understand?
  - A. paragraph 1
  - B. paragraph 2
  - C. paragraph 3
  - D. paragraph 4
- 6. The information in paragraphs 13 and 14 best supports the idea that BMX riders
  - A. prefer downhill tracks over level tracks.
  - B. must prepare to race on many different surfaces.
  - C. have endurance to ride many miles at a time.
  - D. wear helmets and padding when they ride.



The porcupine is a medium-sized rodent that is related to mice, rats and beavers. An adult porcupine is about twenty inches long, not counting its tail. It can weigh from 10 to 28 pounds. Long black and brown guard hairs and quills cover its body. The sharp, stiff quills are actually modified hairs. The porcupine's back is covered with as many as thirty thousand quills to provide protection from predators.

Porcupines live throughout most of the western United States and parts of the Northeast. They are also found throughout forests in Canada. They live along rivers with trees or large shrub growth. The porcupine munches on fir, hemlock, pine, maple, beech, birch, oak, elm, cherry, and willow trees. They also eat several kinds of woody shrubs.

Porcupines are nocturnal, which means they are active primarily at night. It is a solitary animal, although it may den with other porcupines in the winter. It makes its den in caves, decaying logs and hollow trees. A porcupine doesn't hibernate, but it might stay in its den during bad weather. Porcupines are excellent tree climbers and spend much of their time in trees. They are good swimmers, with its hollow quills helping to keep it afloat. The porcupine is a very vocal animal and has a wide variety of calls, including moans, grunts, coughs, wails, whines, shrieks and tooth clicking. The male porcupine uses some of these calls to attract females. The male porcupine performs an elaborate dance and then sprays urine over the head of the female.

The most formidable predator of the porcupine is the fisher. A fisher is a swift treeclimbing animal in the weasel family. Other predators of the porcupine are great-horned owls, coyotes, bobcats, cougars, and wolves.

- 1. Paragraph 3 is mostly about \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. what the porcupine eats
  - B. where the porcupine lives
  - C. hibernation of the porcupine
  - D. the porcupine's behaviors
- 2. From the text, you can infer that \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. not many people see the porcupine because it is nocturnal
  - B. the porcupine can throw its quills at its predators
  - C. the porcupine is a carnivore
  - D. the porcupine lives with large groups of other porcupines
- 3. From the text, you can infer that the fisher \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A. hunts during the daytime
  - B. eats the same foods as the porcupine
  - C. eats mostly fish
  - D. lives near rivers with trees or large shrub growth
- 4. Because the porcupine spends much of its time in trees, the reader can infer that \_\_\_\_\_
  - A. it has sharp claws
  - B. it is a fast runner
  - C. it has good eyesight
  - D. the shortest quills are on its cheeks

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### Colors of the Wind

You think you own whatever land you land on The Earth is just a dead thing you can claim But I know every rock and tree and creature Has a life, has a spirit, has a name

You think the only people who are people
Are the people who look and think like you
But if you walk the footsteps of a stranger
You'll learn things you never knew, you never knew

Have you ever heard the wolf cry to the blue corn moon
Or asked the grinning bobcat why he grinned
Can you sing with all the voices of the mountains
Can you paint with all the colors of the wind
Can you paint with all the colors of the wind

Come run the hidden pine trails of the forest
Come taste the sun sweet berries of the Earth
Come roll in all the riches all around you
And for once, never wonder what they're worth

The rainstorm and the river are my brothers

The heron and the otter are my friends

And we are all connected to each other

In a circle, in a hoop that never ends

How high will the sycamore grow

If you cut it down, then you'll never know

And you'll never hear the wolf cry to the blue corn moon

For whether we are white or copper skinned

We need to sing with all the voices of the mountains

We need to paint with all the colors of the wind

You can own the Earth and still

All you'll own is Earth until

You can paint with all the colors of the wind

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You think I'm an ignorant savage
And you've been so many places
I guess it must be so
But still I cannot see
If the savage one is me
How can there be so much that you don't know
You don't know

Find all of the things that Pocahontas felt that the colonists didn't know and write them below.
Be sure to highlight in the text where you found your evidence.
What does this stanza add or remove from the song?
Identify two main ideas from the song below; be sure to support your claim with text evidence.
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Has your opinion of the movie and/or the song changed after this analysis?