

# Esperanza Rising

## Reading Comprehension Test

### C. Multiple Choice

Circle the correct answer choice. Make sure to read all answer choices before choosing.

16. How do they prepare for Mama's return to the migrant camp?
- They clean the cabin and make a chair under the shade trees.
  - They move to a larger cabin.
  - Esperanza decides to leave the cabin when she returns.
17. How do Mama & Esperanza escape to the train station?
- They take Papa's horses and wear disguises.
  - They hide under the floor of a wagon driven by Alfonso & Miguel.

### D. Short Answer Response

Answers must be written in complete sentences. Make sure to answer all parts of the question.

26. Just like in the crocheted blankets, what are the 'mountains & valleys' in this story? (5 pts. max)

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27. What makes Mama sick? Why do you think she is the only one to get sick? (5 pts. max)

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Whole Book Comprehension Test

### A. Character Matching

On the line, write the letter which matches the character to their description.

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| _____ Abuelita  | B. Gives her beloved porcelain doll to Isabel.      |
| _____ Miguel    | C. Lives in a convent until she is able to travel.  |
| _____ Ramona    | D. Papa's brother who burns down Esperanza's house. |
| _____ Tio Luis  | E. Becomes sick with Valley Fever.                  |

### B. True and False

On the line, write True or False for each statement.

- \_\_\_\_\_ Isabel is very quiet when she first meets Esperanza because she doesn't like her.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Papa is killed by bandits while mending a fence.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Valley Fever is very contagious.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Josefina is chosen to be the Queen of May.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Mama says she will not marry Tio Luis and that she will never change her mind.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Papa is killed right before Esperanza's birthday.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Miguel travels to Mexico to find Tio Luis and bring him to California.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Esperanza is nervous to ride on the train car with peasants.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Esperanza told Abuelita their story by what they were harvesting at the time.
- \_\_\_\_\_ Hairs were woven into the crocheted blankets to make them stronger.

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21. What is Esperanza's job at camp?
- Sweeping the platform
  - Watching Josefina's two babies
  - Both A & B are correct
22. Does Esperanza like talking about her life in Mexico?
- Yes, she loves to brag about the fancy parties she had.
  - She likes the memories sometimes, but other times she feels guilty.
  - She refuses to speak about her life in Mexico at all.
23. What does Hortensia make \_\_\_\_\_ from?
- \_\_\_\_\_ and glycerin
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_ and grape \_\_\_\_\_
24. \_\_\_\_\_ teaches Esperanza how to \_\_\_\_\_ the land?
- Miguel
  - Papa
  - Isabel
25. What does Esperanza say is her favorite time of the year?
- The grape harvest
  - Her birthday
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### Answer Key

#### Character Matching

Character Matching	True/False
B Esperanza	F
C Abuelita	T
A Miguel	F
E Ramona	T
D Tio Luis	F
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#### Multiple Choice

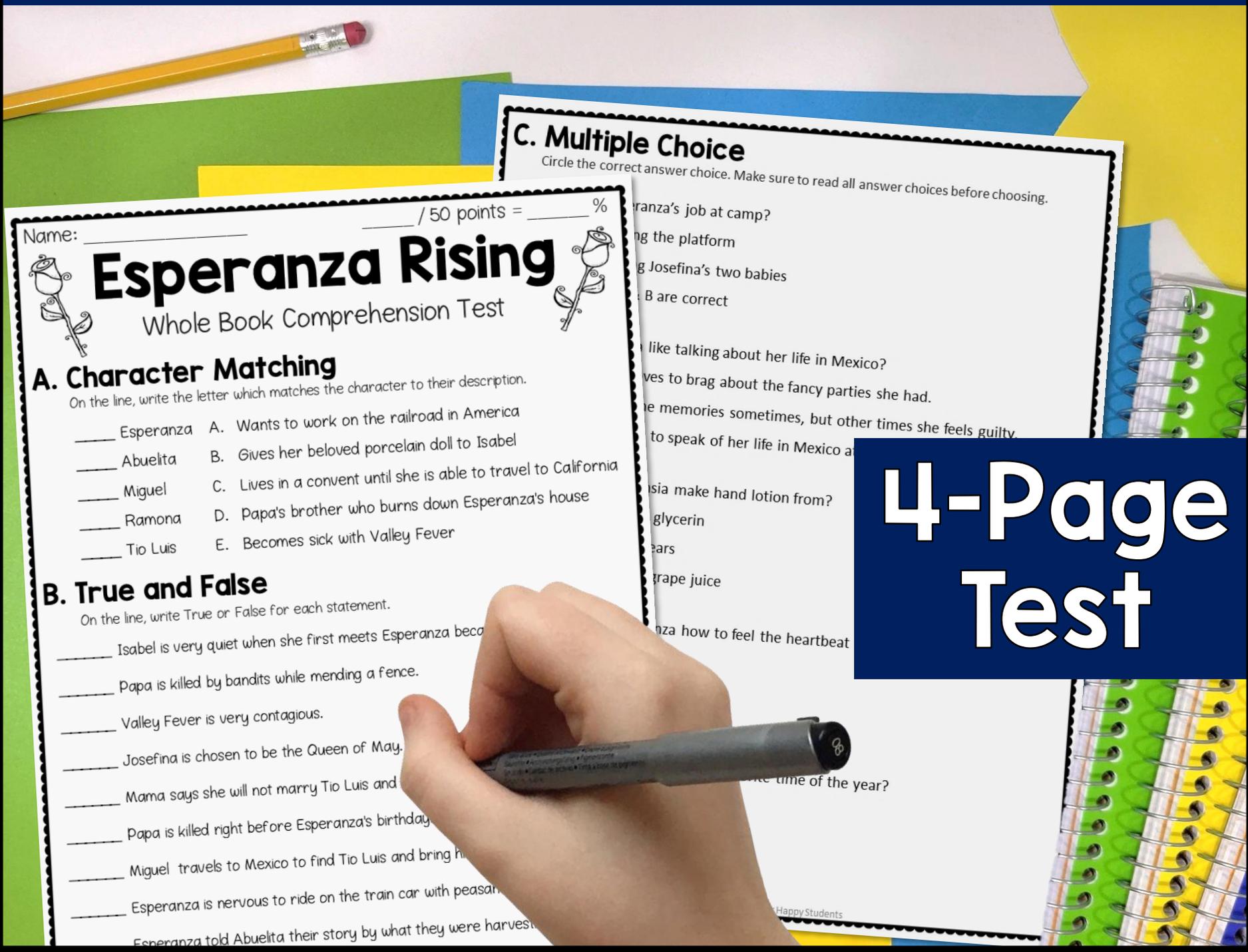
Multiple Choice	Short Answer Sample Responses
16. A	26. A valley in this story is when Esperanza and her mother must hide under the wagon in order to escape Tio Luis. A mountain is when Mama comes home from the hospital and when Abuelita gets to California.
17. B	27. Mama gets sick with Valley Fever after the dust storm because dust spores got into her lungs and caused an infection. The others don't get sick because they are naturally immunized or are younger and their body is able to fight the infection easier.
18. A	28. <i>Esperanza Rising</i> is a story about a 12 year old girl, Esperanza, who grows up wealthy and happy in Mexico until her father is killed by bandits. Her mother and she must escape to the United States to avoid being controlled by two uncles who want to control her. Esperanza and her mother work in California and although they are not as wealthy as they were in Mexico, they are happy with their new life.
19. A	
20. C	
21. C	
22. B	
23. A	
24. B	
25. C	



4-Page Test includes: Character Matching, True/False, Multiple Choice & Short Answer Answer Key Included.

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- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_rape juice
- \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_nza how to feel the heartbeat

# 4-Page Test