



Written Comprehension Questions

Grade 11

Heroism: Why Heroes are Important by Scott LaBarge

1. How did reading the book change the writer's life? 2
2. Explain the paradox contained in:
'when I had come to die, discovering that I had not lived'. 2
3. What is LaBarge's criticism of philosophers? 3
4. Why does the writer believe that *'Today, it is much harder to detach the concept of heroism from morality'*? 2
5. What point about heroes did the Barron Prize for Young Heroes make? 2
6. What does LaBarge offer as a solution to this cynicism and skepticism? 2
7. What are the 2 contradictory points of view presented in paragraph 6? 2
8. Identify and explain the tone of optimism evident in paragraph 7. 3
9. Refer to the dictionary entry below from:
misogyny (n)
mi-sog-y·ny | \ mə-'sä-jə-nē \
hatred of, aversion to, or prejudice against women
also : something (such as speech or behaviour) that reflects and fosters misogyny
<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/misogyny>

Give the part of the speech of *'misogynistic'* in *'misogynistic hip-hop culture'*, and explain the meaning of the word in context. 2

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