



Written Comprehension Questions

GRADE 10

Ishmael Beah's New Battles Questions

1. What does paragraph 1 suggest about Ishmael Beah's life now? 3
2. What do you understand about Beah's 'two worlds'? 4
3. 'his rescue and subsequent difficulties re-entering civilian life.'
List 3 possible difficulties for Beah, re-entering civilian life. 3
4. How have things not changed for him in Sierra Leone? 2
Why do you think this is so? 2
5. 'The elders' job is to protect the young; when they feared them instead, it made resuming normal life much more complicated.'
Why does this fear make resuming life more complicated? 2
Explain the historical reference to Holocaust. 2
you can do it to an African person.
What is Beah suggesting 2
6. 'While Beah still has vestigial shadows from his past life, he believes they have less power than they once did.'
Is this a loose or periodic sentence. 1
What is the writer's intention in using this type of sentence.? 2
7. Refer to the meaning of 'vestigial'.
What part of speech is it in paragraph 7? 1
Explain whether you consider it a good choice of word. 1

vestigial

ves-ti-gial | \ ve-'sti-jē-əl , -jəl \adj

1: of a body part or organ : remaining in a form that is small or imperfectly developed and not able to function : being or having the form of a vestige

2: remaining as the last small part of something that existed before

vestigially \ ve-'sti-jē-ə-lē , -jə-lē \ adv

<https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/vestigial>

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