

Test Prep

## Know the News: “They’ll Kill Me If I’m Sent Back”

Read the article, then answer the questions.

- Which is a central idea of the article?
  - Ⓐ It took Ginger about three weeks to make the journey from Honduras to the United States.
  - Ⓑ Many people seek asylum in the U.S. because their lives are in danger in their home countries.
  - Ⓒ Human smugglers, commonly known as coyotes, help people reach the U.S. illegally.
  - Ⓓ Asylum seekers and refugees are often lonely in a new country.
- Based on the description in the first two sections, how would you describe Ginger’s neighborhood in Honduras?
  - Ⓐ crowded                      Ⓒ modern
  - Ⓑ wealthy                      Ⓓ unsafe
- Which of the following statements best supports your answer to question 2?
  - Ⓐ “Ginger had been kidnapped in broad daylight while . . . walking home from school.”
  - Ⓑ “The woman gave Ginger bus money.”
  - Ⓒ “She didn’t stop running until she reached a busy intersection.”
  - Ⓓ “Just after she turned 16, Ginger said goodbye to the only home she’d known.”
- How did the local police in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, react to Ginger’s kidnapping?
  - Ⓐ They brushed off her story.
  - Ⓑ They hired a coyote to get her to safety.
  - Ⓒ They returned her to the kidnappers.
  - Ⓓ They arrested her kidnappers.
- Which of the following statements is an opinion?
  - Ⓐ The number of U.S. asylum applications roughly doubled from 2017 to 2018.
  - Ⓑ It could take up to three years for the government to rule on Ginger’s asylum case.
  - Ⓒ Americans are divided over what to do about the surge in asylum applications.
  - Ⓓ Asylum seekers are safer in the U.S. than anywhere else.
- How many children from Central America arrived in the U.S. without a parent or guardian in 2018?
  - Ⓐ 160                              Ⓒ 38,000
  - Ⓑ 2,400                          Ⓓ 100,000
- What does *grueling* mean in the following sentence? “Over the course of a grueling 22 days, Ginger traveled by bus, by car, and on foot.”
  - Ⓐ adventurous              Ⓒ busy
  - Ⓑ difficult                      Ⓓ illegal
- Why might the author have chosen Ginger’s quote for the headline?
  - Ⓐ to argue that the U.S. is safer than Honduras
  - Ⓑ to emphasize why Ginger is seeking asylum
  - Ⓒ to persuade readers that Ginger does not need asylum in the U.S.
  - Ⓓ to highlight the problems of gangs and drugs in the U.S.
- How does the world map contribute to this article?
  - Ⓐ It shows the top 10 countries of origin for immigrants who were granted asylum in the U.S. from October 2015 to September 2016.
  - Ⓑ It shows the path Ginger took from Honduras to reach the U.S.
  - Ⓒ It shows 10 countries that have never had citizens seek asylum in the U.S.
  - Ⓓ It shows the 10 countries that have granted the most asylum requests since 2015.
- What can you conclude based on this article?
  - Ⓐ The number of people seeking asylum will drop by more than half in 2019.
  - Ⓑ Even if she is granted asylum, Ginger will want to return to Honduras after she finishes school.
  - Ⓒ Ginger faces an uncertain future in the U.S. while she waits for the government to rule on her asylum claim.
  - Ⓓ It is impossible for people to cross into the U.S. without being stopped at the border.