

WELCOME TO 7TH GRADE ELA

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Dear 7th Graders and Parents,

Summer vacation is almost here! I hope that you make it a time to **Rest, Relax, Read** and above all **Enjoy!**

Reading, like a sport, involves practice and skill. Real skill building occurs when children read for pleasure and when they explore books about topics that interest them.

Students entering 7th grade must read: **7A: Freak the Mighty** by Rodman Philbrick and complete the given exam/writing assignment. Students in **7G: Lyddie** by Katharine Paterson and complete the given exam/writing assignment. This will be collected and graded during the first week of school and will count towards their first quarter ELA grade.

Please encourage your child to read a minimum of thirty (30) minutes per day. Have a great summer! I am looking forward to being your ELA teacher in September.

Sincerely,

Rose Scozzari

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ELA incoming 76

Date: _____

Lyddie

End of Book Test

Part 1: Multiple Choice: Circle the correct answer.

1. Why was the bear such a significant event in the book?
 - a. The bear made Lyddie realize that they were not safe on the farm.
 - b. The event of the bear was the start of Lyddie's journey to caring for her family and finding personal freedom.
 - c. When the bear entered the cabin, Mama went suddenly crazy.
 - d. The bear's intrusion is what made Lyddie's father leave.
2. When Lyddie worked at Cutler's Tavern, what was her point of view of factory life?
 - a. Lyddie dreaded factory life because of the rumors she heard.
 - b. Lyddie knew some girls who worked in the factory and they loved it.
 - c. Lyddie read in school that factory life was tedious and tiresome.
 - d. Lyddie wanted to work in a factory because it was her way of earning enough money to pay her debts.
3. What surprising event happens when Lyddie meets Ezekial?
 - a. Lyddie willingly gives Ezekial the money she earned from selling the calf.
 - b. Ezekial tricks Lyddie into giving him her money.
 - c. Lyddie turns Ezekial in and claims the reward money.
 - d. Lyddie invites Ezekial to travel with her to Lowell.
4. How did the stagecoach ride benefit Lyddie?
 - a. Lyddie learned how to get a job from another passenger.
 - b. One of the passengers knew the factory owner and got Lyddie a job.
 - c. The coachman arranged for Lyddie to live with his sister.
 - d. Lyddie learned about what clothes to wear from the stage coach driver.
5. How did Diana help Lyddie in the factory?
 - a. Diana read Oliver Twist to Lyddie to comfort her.
 - b. Diana sat with Lyddie through all the meals to be her friend.
 - c. Diana trained Lyddie and looked over her looms.
 - d. Diana suggested that Lyddie room with Amelia, Betsy and Prudence.

6. For what cause was the Female Labor Reform Association petitioning?
 - a. The girls were asking for higher wages.
 - b. The girls were asking for a 10 hour work day.
 - c. The girls wanted to operate only two looms at a time.
 - d. The girls wanted the factory to hire more girls.
7. How did the news of Agnes' death affect Lyddie?
 - a. Lyddie was devastated and could not work for several days.
 - b. Lyddie left Lowell to go home to her mother.
 - c. The news made Lyddie realize that she had to earn more money to get the farm back.
 - d. Lyddie became angry and yelled at her mother.
8. How did Betsy's illness, hospitalization, and departure from Lowell affect Lyddie?
 - a. Lyddie realized that no matter how much money the girls earned, their health was jeopardized by the poor working conditions.
 - b. Lyddie was excited that Betsy left because she could earn more money.
 - c. Lyddie realized that Betsy was in Lowell long enough and it was time to go home.
 - d. Lyddie realized that Betsy's illness had nothing to do with the factories.
9. When Lyddie received the money from Ezekial, what happened?
 - a. Lyddie gave Betsy the money for her hospital bill.
 - b. Lyddie hoped the money she saved, along with this money, was enough to pay the debt.
 - c. Lyddie sent the money to her mother.
 - d. Lyddie called Ezekial to thank him.
10. What shocking news did Uncle Judah NOT give Lyddie?
 - a. Judah told Lyddie her mother had died.
 - b. Judah told Lyddie her mother was sent to a mental hospital.
 - c. Judah brought Rachel to stay with Lyddie.
 - d. Judah told Lyddie he intended to sell the farm.

11. How did Lyddie react when Mr. Marsden tried to keep her from leaving when the bell rang?
 - a. Lyddie was furious and pushed him down the stairs.
 - b. Lyddie was embarrassed and threatened to quit.
 - c. Lyddie grabbed the bucket of water and dumped it on his head.
 - d. Lyddie defended herself by stomping on his foot.
12. How did having Rachel live with her change Lyddie?
 - a. Lyddie becomes compassionate because she is caring for her sister.
 - b. Lyddie becomes more stressed and ignores Rachel.
 - c. Lyddie begins to skip work to spend more time with Rachel.
 - d. Lyddie decides to quit her job and teach Rachel to read.
13. Why did Lyddie continue to work in the factory after Rachel left?
 - a. Lyddie couldn't bear to leave Brigid who was her friend.
 - b. Work was all Lyddie had left.
 - c. Lyddie never wanted to go to school.
 - d. Lyddie wanted to please Mr. Marsden.
14. What happened when Lyddie decided to sign the petition?
 - a. Lyddie was too late. It already went to the legislature.
 - b. Diana begged Lyddie not to sign so she wouldn't be fired.
 - c. Lyddie decides she really can't sign the petition after all.
 - d. Diana asked Lyddie to give a speech to describe the horrible working conditions.
15. How did Mr. Marsden get his revenge on Lyddie?
 - a. Mr. Marsden reports Lyddie's behavior to the agent and she is dismissed.
 - b. Mr. Marsden embarrassed Lyddie in front of the other factory girls.
 - c. Mr. Marsden moves Lyddie to another floor.
 - d. Mr. Marsden tells everyone that Lyddie kissed him.
16. Why didn't Lyddie defend herself when the agent and Mr. Marsden dismissed her from the factory?
 - a. Lyddie thought never to question an adult.
 - b. Lyddie did not know what "moral turpitude" was.
 - c. Lyddie knew she was guilty.
 - d. Lyddie was so mad, she was speechless.

17. What does Lyddie realize when she returns to Cutler's Tavern?
- Lyddie realizes that Triphena is no longer there.
 - Lyddie realizes there no longer is a job for her.
 - Lyddie realized that Rachel was working in the tavern
 - Lyddie realizes that she misses Lowell.
18. What will Lyddie do with her future?
- Lyddie decides to marry Luke and live on the farm.
 - Lyddie decides to go find Charlie and Rachel and have them live with her.
 - Lyddie decides to go to college and hope that Luke waits for her return to marry.
 - Lyddie decides to go to work with Diana.
19. Read the following passage from the book: *"I'm off..." she said, and knew as she spoke what she was off to. To stare down the bear! The bear that she had thought all these years was outside herself, but now, truly knew was in her own narrow spirit. She would stare down all the bears!"*
- What does "the bear" refer to in this passage?
- Mr. Marsden
 - Obstacles in her life
 - Her nightmares
 - Her mother's death
20. Which of the following best describes the theme for Lyddie?
- When you are lucky, things always work out for the best.
 - No matter what obstacles you encounter in life, you have the power to overcome them with hard work.
 - Family is always supportive of you in all circumstances.
 - Patience is the main thing that helps you survive.

Part 2: Character Identification: Using the given word bank, write the name of the character that is being described. Some names may be used more than once and some won't be used at all.

Lyddie	Charlie	Rachel	Mr. Marsden
Diana	Triphena	Luke	Uncle Judah
Betsy	Amelia	Ezekial	Mattie Worthen

1. He was a fugitive slave who hid in Lyddie's cabin. _____
2. She read Oliver Twist to Lyddie every night. _____
3. He had a bucket of filthy water dumped on his head. _____
4. He proposed marriage in a letter. _____
5. She wanted to go to college in Ohio but due to illness lost all of her savings. _____
6. He brought Rachel to Lyddie. _____
7. She became sick because of the bad air in the factory and was sent away. _____
8. She helped Lyddie in the weaving room when Lyddie first started. _____
9. She left the cabin because she thought the world was going to end. She dies in the novel. _____
10. She was accused of moral turpitude and dismissed from the Concord Corporation. _____

Part 3: Quote Analysis: Read each quote and write on the line the name of the speaker. Use the given word bank.

Diana	Brigid	Ezekial	Lyddie	Charlie
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1. "A little reading is an exceedingly dangerous thing." _____
2. "Lucky I'm so ugly. A pretty girl couldn't be scared that old rascal." _____
3. "Our crime has been to speak out for better working conditions." _____

4. "I have good news there, too. Mrs. Phinney asked me to bring Rachel back. She craves a daughter as well. And she'll be so good to her, you'll see." _____
5. "But I canna forget. Me mother's sick unto death and no money for a doctor." _____

Part 4: True or False. Read each statement. Write TRUE if the statement is true and FALSE if the statement is false.

1. Lyddie is fired for stomping on Mr. Marsden foot. _____
2. Diana leaves the factory because she is pregnant. _____
3. Lyddie decides to marry Luke at the end of the novel. _____
4. Lyddie's mother is remanded to the mental asylum. _____
5. After Lyddie receives the marriage proposal from Luke, she tears the letter to pieces. _____
6. Lyddie signs the petition for a shorter work day. _____
7. Uncle Judah and Aunt Clarissa receive the money from the sale of the farm. _____
8. Luke Stevens buys the farm and gives it to Lyddie as a gift. _____
9. Rachel took care of Lyddie when she had a fever. _____
10. Triphena offers Lyddie a job at the Cutler's Tavern when she leaves Lowell. _____

Part 5: Short Answers: On a separate sheet of paper answer each question in complete sentences.

1. Throughout the novel Lyddie is compared to a slave. Give two examples from the novel when this occurred.
2. What happened to a factory girl if she became sick?
3. Ezekial changes his last name from Abernathy to what? How is this a good name for him?
4. At the end of the novel, Lyddie must make another choice. From what two things must she choose? What does she choose? Explain why you agree or disagree with this choice.