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Question: 1

Which choice best describes the tone of the passage?

- A. Detached
- B. Solemn
- C. Mysterious
- D. Light-hearted

Answer: D

Explanation:

The tone of this passage can be described as mysterious, beginning with a description of a "stranger" that both looks and acts odd. The author proceeds to add to the tone of mystery by introducing Mrs. Hall, whose curiosity grows but is unsatisfied. The tone is not detached (A), like a scientific treatise, or solemn (B), as though describing a very serious subject or warning the audience. While there is a bit of humor, the tone is not light-hearted (D). The description of "biting wind" and "driving snow" and the man nearly dead from cold are too serious.

Question: 2

Which of the following is a logical conclusion based on the information that is provided within the passage?

- A. Like Elizabeth I, Charles II never married and thus never had children.
- B. The English people were relieved each time that James II's wife Mary lost another child, as this prevented the chance of a Catholic monarch.
- C. Charles I's beheading had less to do with religion than with other political problems that England was facing.
- D. Unlike his son and grandsons, King James I had no Catholic leanings and was a faithful follower of the Protestant Church of England.

Answer: C

Explanation:

The author actually says, "Charles's own political troubles extended beyond religion in this case, and he was beheaded in 1649." This would indicate that religion was less involved in this situation than in other situations. There is not enough information to infer that Charles II never married; the passage only notes that he had no legitimate children (in fact, he had more than ten illegitimate children by his mistresses.) And while the chance of a Catholic king frightened many in England, it is reaching beyond logical inference to assume that people were relieved when the royal children died. Finally, the author does not

provide enough detail for the reader to assume that James I had no Catholic leanings. The author only says that James recognized the importance of committing to the Church of England.

Question: 3

Based on the information that is provided within the passage, which of the following can be inferred about King James II's son?

- A. Considering his resemblance to King James II, the young James was very likely the legitimate child of the king and the queen.
- B. Given the queen's previous inability to produce a healthy child, the English and the Lowland Scots were right in suspecting the legitimacy of the prince.
- C. James "the Pretender" was not as popular among the Highland clans as his son Bonnie Prince Charlie.
- D. James was unable to acquire the resources needed to build the army and plan the invasion that his son succeeded in doing.

Answer: A

Explanation:

The author notes, "In spite of a strong resemblance to the king, the young James II was generally rejected among the English and the Lowland Scots, who referred to him as "the Pretender." This indicates that there was a resemblance, and this increases the likelihood that the child was, in fact, that of James and Mary Beatrice. Answer choice B is too much of an opinion statement that does not have enough support in the passage. The passage essentially refutes answer choice C by pointing out that James "the Pretender" was welcomed in the Highlands. And there is little in the passage to suggest that James was unable to raise an army and mount an attack.

Question: 4

Which of the following best describes the organization of the information in the passage?

- A. Cause-effect
- B. Chronological sequence
- C. Problem-solution
- D. Comparison-contrast

Answer: C

Explanation:

The passage is arranged in a chronological sequence, with each king introduced in order of reign.

Question: 5

Which of the following best describes the author's intent in the passage?

- A. To persuade
- B. To entertain
- C. To express feeling
- D. To inform

Answer: D

Explanation:

The passage is largely informative in focus, and the author provides extensive detail about this period in English and Scottish history. There is little in the passage to suggest persuasion, and the tone of the passage has no indication of a desire to entertain. Additionally, the passage is historical, so the author avoids expressing feelings and instead focuses on factual information (with the exception of the one opinion statement).

Question: 6

What can be inferred from paragraph two about the author's view of 21st century scholars?

- A. 21st century scholars often disregard the role of religious views in historical political disputes.
- B. 21st century scholars make hasty observations about historical political disputes.
- C. 21st century scholars lack the details necessary to understand historical political disputes.
- D. 21st century scholars think that religion is never used in political disputes.

Answer: A

Explanation:

Paragraph two states that "Scholars in the 21st century are far too hasty in dismissing the role of religion in political disputes," which matches answer choice A.

Question: 7

What is the nickname of the founder of a group called the Jacobites?

- A. Jacob
- B. The Deceiver
- C. The Pretender
- D. The Fool

Answer: C

Explanation:

The author states that the people of the Lowlands and England referred to young James as the Pretender, as he bore strong resemblance to the king, but did not hold true lineage to inherit the throne. Later, he would go to attempt to reclaim what he believed to be his rightful throne.

Question: 8

Who does the passage say ascended the throne because someone else did not have a legitimate heir?

- A. King James Stuart
- B. Queen Elizabeth I
- C. King Charles II
- D. King James

Answer: D

Explanation:

Paragraph three states that "Charles II died without a legitimate heir, and his brother James ascended to the throne as King James II."

Question: 9

Which of the following best describes what the passage is about?

- A. The lineage of the current Queen of England
- B. The history of religions in Scotland and in England
- C. The role of religion in conflict between England and Scotland
- D. The history and origin of the Jacobites

Answer: C

Explanation:

This passage includes information about lineage, but generally seeks to inform and convince the reader that religion had a part in fueling conflict between nations, particularly England and Scotland.

Question: 10

What was the result of King Charles I's political troubles?

- A. He was beheaded
- B. He was exiled
- C. He was hanged
- D. He was dethroned

Answer: D

Explanation:

As a result of his religious and political affiliations, particularly regarding his marriage to the Catholic Princess Henrietta Maria of France, King Charles I was beheaded. Religious groups at this time were very

strict with regulating marriages and divorces and did not condone intermarriage with other religions, and had even more effect when regarding the leadership of a country. This further reinforced the author's purpose of demonstrating how religion played a part in political effects within the history of England.

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