Name Date

FALL / CHANGE

## **Selection Test B/C**

## Comprehension

Read each of the following questions. Then choose the letter of the best answer. (6 points each)

- **1.** What two natural events are linked in "Fall"?
  - **A.** goose migration and the coming of winter
  - **B.** goose migration and the coming of spring
  - **C.** goose migration and the plowing of
  - **D.** goose migration and birdwatching
- 2. What is the most concrete visual image in "Fall"?
  - A. goose wings
  - **B.** falling snow
  - **C.** the V-shaped row of flying geese
  - **D.** the winter wind
- **3.** According to the imagery in "Fall," what seems to be the relationship between the geese and winter?
  - **A.** The geese seem to be afraid of winter.
  - **B.** The geese seem to bring winter with them.
  - **C.** The geese seem to love winter.
  - **D.** The geese seem to announce winter with their honking.
- **4.** Which best expresses the message of "Fall"?
  - **A.** The speaker loves winter.
  - **B.** The southward migration of geese symbolizes the coming of winter.
  - **C.** Goose migration is a sad time.
  - **D.** Geese migrate in a V-shaped row.

- **5.** What is the best meaning of line 8 of "Change"?
  - **A.** Rain in autumn is golden.
  - **B.** Autumn begins with colorful rain.
  - **C.** Puddles in autumn reflect red skies.
  - **D.** Leaves fall from the trees in autumn.
- **6.** In "Change," the imagery in line 16 appeals to the senses of
  - A. taste and sight
  - **B.** sight and touch
  - **C.** touch and hearing
  - **D.** hearing and sight
- 7. Lines 17–18 of "Change" explain that the speaker is different from the seasonal changes because he or she
  - **A.** will return like the spring
  - **B.** will never be the same again
  - **C.** grows old like autumn leaves
  - **D.** looks forward to winter's chill
- **8.** The repetition of the word "still" in "Change" helps emphasize the
  - **A.** quietness of seasonal change
  - **B.** suddenness of change in nature
  - **C.** dependability of the four seasons
  - **D.** importance of the changing seasons

## SELECTION TEST B/C, CONTINUED

- **9.** "Change" is different from "Fall" because "Change"
  - **A.** describes each of the seasons
  - **B.** describes winter as a cold time
  - **C.** explains why the seasons change
  - **D.** focuses on nature's effect on animals
- **10.** One effect of the repetition in "Change" is to show that
  - **A.** the seasons are like a song.
  - **B.** spring is different from summer.
  - **C.** nature is predictable.
  - **D.** each season is the same.

## **Written Response**

**Short Response** Answer the following questions based on your knowledge of the poems. Write a sentence or two on a separate sheet of paper. (10 points each)

- **11.** In "Change," identify the somewhat painful image associated with a season.
- **12.** Briefly describe the mystery contained in "Change."

**Extended Response** Answer one of the following questions based on your knowledge of the poems. Write one or two paragraphs on a separate sheet of paper. (20 points)

- **13.** In your opinion, is "Change" mainly about the natural world, or is it about human nature? Support your opinion with details from the poem.
- **14. Challenge** In your opinion, which is more important in "Change," the use of imagery or the use of repetition? Use reasons and details from the poem to support your opinion.