

Text-Dependent Questions

Directions: For the following questions, choose the best answer or respond in complete sentences.

1. Summarize the central ideas of Reagan's speech.

2. What effect does the first sentence have on the overall piece?
- A. It captures the listener's attention by suggesting the speaker will make bold statements.
 - B. It suggests that the arguments in the speech are common to most political debates.
 - C. It admits bias, allowing the listener to make up his or her own mind about the arguments to be made.
 - D. It sets the listener up to potentially disagree with the points being made.
3. PART A: As it is used in paragraph 12, the word "accommodation" most nearly means:
- A. Endless generosity for those in need
 - B. Supporting the undeserving
 - C. Foolishness and ignorance
 - D. Systematic greed
4. PART B: Which of the following phrases best supports the answer to Part A?
- A. "no fiscal and economic stability"
 - B. "soup kitchen"
 - C. "the welfare state"
 - D. "architects of a policy"

5. How does Reagan use figurative language throughout the speech to make his argument?
