

Stella by Starlight Test

Comprehension Essay Questions

Your answers must be in **COMPLETE SENTENCES** and you **MUST** have **20 OR MORE WORDS** for each answer.

1. Compare her writing at the beginning of the book with her attitude at the end. Discuss these factors: her attitude toward writing, her purpose for writing, her sense of audience (who she is writing for); the topics she wrote about; how clearly, she expressed herself.
2. Explain how the two white men who came in to register were treated compared to how the three black men were treated. How was each group treated differently? What did the registrar mean when he said, "You know that song you was singin' about trouble? Be on the lookout for it, 'cause it's comin'."
3. Explain how Stella's reactions in emergency situations-the attack on Anthony Hawkins, Stella's mother being bitten by a snake-shows her growing maturity and decisiveness.
4. Explain how Stella's actions in the face of danger show that she too, has learned from her community how to rise above ignorance, racism, and violence. Explain and give an example of each: (ignorance, racism, and violence).
5. What were your thoughts when you first opened the book, Stella by Starlight and now that you are done reading the book. Share your thought. Would you recommend the book to someone? Why or why not? Explain.