



Answer + Why, Correct Answer: B

QUESTION

Which sentence from the passage best supports the idea that the Magna Carta was important because it made rules fair for everyone?

A

“The king collected heavy taxes and made unfair decisions.”

TRUE BUT WRONG

True, but it describes the unfair treatment before the document, not how the Magna Carta made rules fair.

B

“It said that the king had to follow the law, just like everyone else.”

CORRECT, PROVES THE EXACT CLAIM

This proves the exact claim, the same law applied even to the king, so the rules were fair for everyone.

C

“Hundreds of years later, the ideas from the Magna Carta influenced other governments.”

WRONG TIMELINE POINT

True, but it describes what happened long after, not how the Magna Carta itself made rules fair.

D

“Even today, the Magna Carta reminds us that rules should apply to everyone and that people deserve to be treated fairly.”

PLAUSIBLE BUT REQUIRES AN ASSUMPTION

True, and close, but a reader would have to assume this modern reminder proves the rules were fair back then rather than stating it directly.



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Which sentence from the passage best supports the idea that Lydia Mendoza's music was important to Texas culture?

A “Around the same time, Chelo Silva became known for her powerful voice and emotional songs.”

TRUE BUT WRONG

True, but it is about a different artist, not Mendoza's importance to Texas culture.

B “She helped show that songs in Spanish had an important place in Texas culture.”

CORRECT, PROVES THE EXACT CLAIM

This proves the exact claim, she showed that Spanish songs had an important place in Texas culture.

C “Texas has always been a place where different groups of people have lived, worked, and shared ideas.”

WRONG TIMELINE POINT

True, but it describes Texas over time, not Mendoza's importance to its culture.

D “Her songs were often simple, but they were powerful because they told real stories.”

PLAUSIBLE BUT REQUIRES AN ASSUMPTION

True, but it describes her songs' quality, so a reader would have to assume it shows her importance to Texas culture.



PROMPT (WHY)

Why was the Magna Carta an important document?

THESIS

The Magna Carta was important because it limited the king's power and protected the rights of the people, which shows that people long ago cared about fairness and justice.

Collect the Evidence (7Ci), TRACKS

I CAN

I can find two pieces of evidence in the passage that show **Reactions**.

DIRECTIONS

- Reread "'A Promise Written Long Ago' (Nonfiction)."
- Underline TWO places that show **Reactions**.
- Copy each piece of evidence word-for-word.

Today's TRACKS category: **R, Reactions**

"It also protected certain rights of the people."

An effect of the document, it protected the rights of the people.

"So, they forced King John to meet them at Runnymede."

An action the barons took, but it happened before the document was written.



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NOTICE · Visible (Engaging)

🕒 ~4 min

" " = say word-for-word · ▶ = teacher direction (do not read aloud)

"Yesterday's evidence answered part of our question. But one strong clue is never enough for a real case, today we go back into the same passage with a brand-new lens: R for Reactions."

▶ Display the prompt and thesis, then read today's I CAN statement aloud.

"I can find two pieces of evidence in the passage that show Reactions."

▶ Reread the passage together (or have students reread independently). Have students underline TWO places that show Reactions using their R lens, then copy each one word-for-word onto their tracking sheet.

"Remember, copy the evidence exactly the way the author wrote it. Word-for-word is what makes it evidence and not just your own idea."

▶ Cold-call or take volunteers for the two pieces students found. Confirm (or redirect toward) these two: "It also protected certain rights of the people." and "So, they forced King John to meet them at Runnymede.", but do NOT grade them yet. Today is only about finding, not judging.

ANSWER KEY: Two R (Reactions) pieces from the passage: "It also protected certain rights of the people.", "An effect of the document, it protected the rights of the people.", "So, they forced King John to meet them at Runnymede.", "An action the barons took, but it happened before the document was written."

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CHECK FOR UNDERSTANDING

Ask a student to point to or read back their two Reactions pieces. Expected: both are copied word-for-word from the passage, not summarized or paraphrased.

COMMON MISCONCEPTION

Students may reuse Monday's evidence because it still relates to the passage, redirect them to hunt for something NEW that shows Reactions specifically.

POSSIBLE STUDENT QUESTION

"Can my evidence be close to the passage but not exact?" No, evidence has to match the passage word-for-word, or it cannot be checked or trusted.

RPLD EVIDENCE & ADVICE

Collecting evidence with a named TRACKS lens (R) and a prompt is Visible (Engaging) evidence. Keep the demand at noticing and copying; save judging the evidence for CHOOSE.

RAISE THE THINKING → (move one level to the right)

Ask a student to predict, before tomorrow's lesson, which of their two pieces they think is stronger and why, that primes them to move toward CHOOSE.

SLIDE 6 - OWN + DEFEND

Pick ONE stem for each best piece of evidence and finish the sentence to explain why it matters to our thesis.

This matters because...	To me, this means...
This shows us that...	This is important because...
This teaches us that...	Ultimately, everyone can see that...

Best piece of evidence 1 - finish your chosen stem:

Best piece of evidence 2 - finish your chosen stem:

Show What You Know - My Answer to the Deck Question

Read the question. Circle ONE sentence. Then explain why your choice proves the exact idea.

SHOW WHAT YOU KNOW

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Why I chose it:

Explain how your sentence proves the idea.