

Worksheet for the Week

1. Alphabetical Order

Place the following vowel diagraphs in alphabetical order.

- a. wealth, heavy, stood, breath, instead
- b. school, should, spread, snooze, shook,
- c. tooth, cushion, could, breath, attack
- d. weapon, weather, steady, leather, pleasure

2. Poem for Reading. See the poem “Jewels of the Caribbean” RR, p.21

Questions.

Here are some sample questions based on the poem Jewels of the Caribbean by Uriel Narinesingh. The questions are categorized into literal, inferential, and evaluative types.

Literal Questions

1. What natural elements are described in the poem?
2. What imagery is used to depict the Caribbean setting?
3. Which bird is mentioned in the poem, and what does it symbolize in the context?
4. How does the poet describe the ocean in the poem?
5. What phrase is used to describe the people of the Caribbean?

Inferential Questions

1. What might the phrase isle of sun and sea suggest about the climate and lifestyle of the Caribbean?
2. How do the images of “flights of ibis” and “rainbow race” contribute to the theme of diversity in the poem?
3. In what ways do the descriptions of the ocean and sky reflect the interconnectedness of the Caribbean people?

4. What can be inferred about the poet's feelings towards his homeland based on the use of terms like moral strength, courage, and pride?
5. How does the poet use the concept of jewels to symbolize the value of Caribbean culture and community?

Evaluative Questions

1. How effectively do you think the poet conveys the beauty of the Caribbean through his imagery?
2. In your opinion, how does the poem reflect the themes of unity and identity among Caribbean people?
3. To what extent do you believe the poet's use of language enhances the emotional impact of the poem?
4. How successful is the poet in celebrating the diversity of the Caribbean culture in this piece?
5. What are your thoughts on how the poem portrays the relationship between nature and the people of the Caribbean? Do you think this relationship is accurately depicted?

These questions can help guide a deeper understanding and exploration of the poem's themes and messages.