

Today you will read the poem “Harriet Tubman” by Eloise Greenfield. As you read, pay attention to the actions of the characters and the images of the poem. Then use what you learn from the poem to write an essay.

Read the poem “Harriet Tubman” by Eloise Greenfield. Then answer Questions 1 through 4.

**Harriet Tubman
By Eloise Greenfield**

- 1** Harriet Tubman didn't take no stuff
- 2** Wasn't scared of nothing neither
- 3** Didn't come in this world to be no slave
- 4** And wasn't going to stay one either

- 5** “Farewell!” she sang to her friends one night
- 6** She was mighty sad to leave ‘em
- 7** But she ran away that dark, hot night
- 8** Ran looking for her freedom
- 9** She ran to the woods and she ran through the woods
- 10** With the slave catchers right behind her
- 11** And she kept on going till she got to the North
- 12** Where those mean men couldn't find her.

- 13** Nineteen times she went back South
- 14** To get three hundred others
- 15** She ran for her freedom nineteen times
- 16** To save Black sisters and brothers
- 17** Harriet Tubman didn't take no stuff
- 18** Wasn't scared of nothing neither
- 19** Didn't come in this world to be no slave
- 20** And didn't stay one either

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1. Part A

What does **didn't take no stuff** mean as it is used in Line 1 of "Harriet Tubman?"

- a. didn't steal
- b. wasn't tolerant
- c. wasn't honest
- d. wasn't brave

Part B

Which statement best supports the answer to Part A?

- a. Ran looking for her freedom
- b. Kept on going till she got to the North
- c. Nineteen times she went back South
- d. But she ran away that dark, hot night.

2. Part A

Harriet Tubman seems determined to escape slavery. What shows determination?

- a. She left her friends.
- b. She ran away on a hot night.
- c. She was chased by the slave catches while she was running away.
- d. She wasn't afraid of anything.

Part B

Which statement best supports the answer to Part A?

- a. "Farewell!" she sang to her friends one night."
- b. "...She ran through the woods, with the slave catchers right behind her."
- c. "She ran for her freedom nineteen times."
- d. "But she ran away that dark, hot night"

3. Part A

What literary device does the poet use?

- a. Rhyme
- b. Metaphor
- c. Repetition
- d. Alliteration

Part B

What detail best supports the answer to Part A?

- a. "dark, hot night"
- b. "stay one either"
- c. "mighty sad"
- d. "mean men"

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