Answer Key

WRITERS ON WRITING

Students' responses will vary. A sample response follows:

1. Pat Mora says that writers use words to share feelings and ideas. Because she is bilingual, she can use words from both Spanish and English.
2. Economy means being thrifty, and in poetry every word matters. Mora says that poets need to delete unnecessary words and find the best word to use.
3. Mora says that writing a good poem means she takes the time to be quiet and think. She goes inside herself and lets her imagination explore the poem's topic.
4. Poetry is about feelings. At some time in their lives everyone feels happy, lonely, angry, and so forth. Those feelings are our connection with others.
5. I would like to use the intense happiness I have enjoyed throughout my life. This feeling of joy would connect to the joy other readers might feel, even if different things made me happy. I would use worlds like *giddy, satisfaction, bubbly*, and *delight* in my poem. I would explain that I don't need lots of money to make me happy. Just having my family and friends and all of them healthy and happy would be all I would ask.

DIAGNOSTIC TEST

1. C	5. A	9. A
2. B	6. D	10. C
3. B	7. B	
4. D	8. B	

LITERARY FOCUS

Forms of Poetry

1. C	4. H	7. D
2. E	5. G	8. F
3. B	6. A	

Elements and Sounds of Poetry

9. stanzas
10. form
11. lines
12. attitude
13. word picture
14. comparisons
15. meter
16. alliteration
17. not exact
18. rhythm
19. pattern
20. sound effects

READING FOCUS

Activity 1: Reading and Re-reading a Poem

1. T	5. F	9. F
2. F	6. T	10. T
3. F	7. T	
4. T	8. F	

Activity 2: Questioning

11. D	13. A	15. b
12. C	14. E	

ACADEMIC AND LITERARY VOCABULARY

Activity 1 Literary Vocabulary

1. H	5. G	9. B
2. C	6. A	10. F
3. E	7. I	
4. J	8. D	

Activity 2 Academic Vocabulary

11. A	13. B
12. B	14. C

I'M NOBODY! AND I LIKE TO SEE IT LAP THE MILES EMILY DICKINSON

Reading Focus Graphic Organizers

Questioning the Text:

Students' responses will vary. A sample response follows:

I'm Nobody!:Questions: Why is it dreary to be "somebody"?; What is a bog? **Answers:** It's dreary because people bother you if you are a "somebody."; A "bog" is a wet, marshy area that could be home to a frog.

I Like to See It Lap the Miles: Questions: What are the Tanks where it feeds? What are Shanties? **Answers:** The Tanks would be water tanks for the steam engine and could also be coal to fire the engine. Shanties are roughly made, humble homes that the more

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