

Cross-Text Connections Exercise 1 Explanation

Q1 — Correct answer: a

Text 1 says the moon formed slowly, over thousands of years. Text 2 says the moon formed fast, in just a few hours. This is the main difference between the two texts.

Why not the others:

- b) Neither text talks about proof for Theia. Only Text 1 mentions Theia at all.
- c) Neither text talks about how the moon's surface looks.
- d) Both texts talk about how fast the moon formed, not when it formed.

Q2 — Correct answer: d

Text 1 shows people made stamps, statues, and TV shows about Ludington. Text 2 shows many books and articles were written about her. Both texts show that people admire her story, even if Text 2 says the story may not be true.

Why not the others:

- a) Text 2 says the *ride* may not have happened, not that Ludington herself wasn't real.
- b) Neither text talks about the war's result.
- c) Neither text says historians proved her exact route.

Q3 — Correct answer: b

Text 1 says Lewis made history and myth statues, but also "other subjects." Text 2 says Lewis made portrait busts too. Both texts show Lewis made different kinds of art, not just one kind.

Why not the others:

- a) Neither text says this trend was short.
- c) Neither text says this statue is her *most* famous.
- d) Text 2 actually says her busts were *ignored*, not that they were more famous.

Q4 — Correct answer: a

Trever thinks the pots are art, not exact photos of real people. So the face markings might not show real scars or skin problems — they could just be the artist's imagination.

Why not the others:

- b) Neither text talks about damaged pots.
- c) Neither text compares faces to animals or plants.
- d) Neither text talks about many pots showing the same person.

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