

Name Date

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Use this week's TIME for Kids (Edition 3–4) cover story to answer the questions. For each question, circle the letter next to the best answer.

Recall Key Facts and Details (RI.3.1; RI.4.1)

- 1.** Which is *not* true about Joey Erace?
- A. He is popular on Instagram.
 - B. His father has spent more than \$30,000 on his baseball career.
 - C. He has a private hitting coach.
 - D. He was a minor league player.

Understand Text Features (RI.3.5; RI.4.7)

- 2.** Which piece of information is in both a caption *and* the main text of the article?
- A. King-Riley Owens hopes to play in the NBA.
 - B. Melanie Barcenas lives in San Diego, California.
 - C. Joey Erace is 10 years old.
 - D. Joey Erace has played in California and Texas.

Understand Vocabulary (RI.3.4; RI.4.4)

- 3.** Which is another way to say *seeking* in the final paragraph?
- A. looking for
 - B. training
 - C. talking about
 - D. accepting

Understand Vocabulary (RI.3.4; RI.4.4)

- 4.** Which is another way to say *critical* in the final paragraph?
- A. exciting
 - B. dangerous
 - C. expensive
 - D. very important

Identify Main Idea (RI.3.2; RI.4.2)

- 5.** Which is the main idea of section 2 (“An Early Start”)?
- A. Youth sports are worth spending a lot of money on.
 - B. Highly competitive sports teams are good for kids.
 - C. Many families take youth sports very seriously.
 - D. It is important for kids to start playing sports early.

Draw Conclusions (RI.3.1; RI.4.1)

- 6.** The author of this article would likely agree that
- A. it is extremely important to set kids up for athletic success.
 - B. investing so much time and money in youth sports might not be worth it.
 - C. kids who play sports are more likely to be successful.
 - D. baseball is the best sport for kids to play.

Understand Text Structure (RI.3.8; RI.4.5)

- 7.** Which structure best describes paragraphs 2 and 3 of section 3 (“Money Matters”)?
- A. pro-con
 - B. cause-effect
 - C. problem-solution
 - D. chronology

Interpret Language (RI.3.4; RI.4.4)

- 8.** The article says companies have asked Joey Erace “to promote their stuff” (section 1, paragraph 3). This means they want Joey to
- A. design their products.
 - B. buy their products.
 - C. tell people to buy their products.
 - D. sell their products.

Understand Text Features (RI.3.5; RI.4.7)

- 9.** The sidebar (“The Long Shot”) adds to the article by showing
- A. how easy it is to be an athlete.
 - B. how unlikely it is to find long-term success in sports.
 - C. the benefits of sports.
 - D. that basketball and soccer are challenging sports.

Recall Key Facts and Details (RI.3.1; RI.4.1)

- 10.** Which is a downside of youth sports becoming more intense and expensive?
- A. Kids enjoy competition.
 - B. Great athletes can earn college scholarships.
 - C. Many families cannot afford to participate.
 - D. Travel teams can bring people together.

Write Opinion Pieces (W.3.1; W.4.1)

Bonus Do you think families should take youth sports so seriously? Why or why not? State your opinion and support it with evidence from the text.