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“Would You Ban Texting and Walking?” Quiz

Directions: Read “Would You Ban Texting and Walking?” Then answer the questions below.

- Kristin Lewis develops the idea that looking at a phone while walking is dangerous in all the following ways EXCEPT**
 - by including brain research that explains humans can't focus on two things at once.
 - by listing incidents of teens being harmed while using their phones.
 - by citing statistics about the likelihood of risky behavior while texting and walking.
 - by describing how teens at Waipahu High School wrote a new law.
- On page 10, Lewis writes, “After all, you're just glancing at your phone for a moment, right?” What literary device is she using?**
 - hyperbole
 - rhetorical question
 - metaphor
 - symbolism
- What is the purpose of the literary device you chose for your answer to question 2?**
 - to convince readers that looking at their phones is harmless
 - to support the idea that phones are distracting
 - to bring attention to an act that many people don't think of as a big deal
 - to show the importance of looking at your phone quickly
- Consider this line: “Some say we shouldn't need a law for something that boils down to common sense” (11). The phrase “boils down to” means**
 - is at its heart.
 - is the opposite of.
 - happens occasionally.
 - cooks slowly.
- Consider this line: “. . . many of her classmates admitted that unless a law was passed, they probably wouldn't put their phones away” (11). How does this line contribute to the article?**
 - It offers a rebuttal to the idea that texting while walking is dangerous.
 - It supports the argument that laws can affect people's behavior.
 - It supports the idea that teens have the ability to focus on more than one thing at a time.
 - It shows that Honolulu is the only city addressing the problem of distracted walking.
- Which claim could be supported by information from the article?**
 - Teens are less distracted by devices than adults.
 - Whether illegal or not, distracted walking is hazardous.
 - Distracted walking will soon be outlawed nationwide.
 - Distracted walking is a problem only in the U.S.

Constructed-Response Question

Directions: Write your answer to the question below on the back of this paper or type it up on a computer.

- How well does Lewis support the idea that outlawing distracted walking would make the world a safer place? What could she have included to strengthen her claim? Use text evidence to support your answer.