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| **Text-dependent Questions** | **Evidence-based Answers** |
| In paragraph 1 the family’s name is mispronounced by the Immigration officer. Describe the author’s reactions to the mispronunciation. | Julia’s reaction was to pronounce the name correctly in her head, but not out loud because she was afraid her family would not be of “All-vah-rr-es”. |
| Describe the author’s attitude toward her American “new names” on pages 115- 116. | At first, the author worried about correcting the mispronunciations of her name and she said “it took me a while to get used to my new names”. Howev in her name. In high school she had names like “Jules” “Hey, Jude” and “Alcatraz”. |
| Why did Julia’s mother quote Shakespeare, “a rose by any other name would smell as sweet”? (page 116) | Julia wondered if she shouldn’t correct her teachers and new friends when they mispronounce her name. “My mother; Julia’s name didn’t change who she was. |
| On page 116 Alvarez states “Ironically, although she had the most foreign sounding name, she and I were the Americans in the family". Explain what the author meant by this statement. | What makes this statement ironic is that she and her sister were not immigrants. They were actually born in New York City, but had foreign sounding names. |
| How did Julia’s older sister get her name? Why did the older sister have the hardest time getting an American name? What happened with Mami and the other new mothers after the sister was born? (page 116-117) | Julia’s father’s mother had died before her older sister was born, so her father wanted the sister to have his mother’s name. However, Mami thought it was an ugly name, so she talked her husband into “Mauricia”. Her mother was embarrassed ofother new English and Julia pitied her older sister for her name. |
| On page 117, why did the author state that her younger sister, Ana, “had the easiest time of all”? How did the pronunciation of Ana’s name change over time? | The author stated that Ana “had the easiest time of all” because her name was “plain Anne” and she “turned out to be the pale, blond “American beauty” in the family”. names correctly. |
| The term **ethnicity** means belonging to a social group that has a common national or cultural tradition. What does Alvarez mean by her statement on page 118 “ethnicity was not yet “in”? | Alvarez is stating that it was not popular to be ethnic during that time because she claims “those were the blond, blue-eyed bobby-socked years of junior high and high school before the sixties ushered in peasant blouses, hoop and to not conform to the norm. |
| Cite the evidence that demonstrates that Julia did not want to be treated as the “rare, exotic friend.” from pages 118-119. | Julia stated she just wanted to be known as Judy and merge with the Sallys and Janes. When she was asked where she was from she would reply New York. Julia wanted “I burned with shame whenever they singled me out as a foreigner”. |
| How does the description of Julia’s extended family on page 119 further reveal her need to fit in? | Julia was self-conscious about her relatives’ behavior at the graduation which included: too many family members attending the graduation, sneaking in without tickets, sitting in the front row, and constantly |
| How does Alvarez’s attitude about her and her family being different change during the story? Site evidence from the story in your answer. | At the beginning of the essay, Alvarez is proud of her heritage and wants to correct pronunciation of her family members’ names at the immigration office. Eager to fit in at school, she allows herself to b |