

Eva Peron – From Humble Beginnings to First Lady (Part 1)

Questions:

1. What is the name of the song sung by the woman on the balcony? (Par. 1)
2. How do we know the woman was dressed well? Name two. (Par. 1)
3. Find a word in the passage (par. 1) that fits the following definition: “Expressing suffering or sadness; having a sad sound.”
4. Do you know what a *ballad* is?
5. Find a word in the passage (par. 1) that fits the following definition: “Showing extreme pleasure, love, or enthusiasm for someone or something.”
6. What word in the passage is related to *clapping*?
7. What is the name of the 1976 musical mentioned in the passage?
8. What country is mentioned in the passage (par. 2)?
9. Do you know in which continent Argentina is located?
10. What is the name of Argentina’s presidential home?
11. What is the name of the woman who sang on the balcony?
12. Find an adverb in the passage (par. 2) that means “honestly.”
13. Find a word in the passage (par. 2) that fits the following definition: “A new idea, device, or method.”
14. Is the “land of silver” a real place? How do you know?
15. What is the capital city of Argentina?
16. What is Buenos Aires famous for?

17. What does the phrase “rags to riches” tell us about Eva’s life story?
18. Find a synonym for *mixed* (par. 3).
19. In what year was Eva born?
20. What is the name of her birth town?
21. How many siblings did she have?
22. Was Eva’s father very rich? How do you know?
23. What does it mean to *shun* someone (par. 4)?
24. Find an antonym for *repugnant* in the passage (par. 5).
Repugnant means to cause a strong feeling of dislike or disgust.
25. Find a phrase that means “to make people like you” (par. 5)
26. Find an adjective that means “in short supply” (par. 5).
27. Why do people move to cities?

Answers:

1. “Don’t Cry for Me Argentina”
2. She was wearing “a fine dress.” The paragraph also states, “The elegant figure takes her leave.”
3. Plaintive
4. A ballad is a kind of poem or song that tells a story; it can also be a love song.
5. Rapturous
6. Applause
7. “Evita”
8. Argentina
9. South America
10. Casa Rosada
11. Eva Peron

12. Frankly
13. Innovation
14. The word “legendary” is a give-away that “the land of silver” is not a real place. A legend is a story from the past that is believed by many people but cannot be proved to be true.
15. Buenos Aires
16. Its eclectic architecture and rich cultural heritage.
17. She grew up poor and became rich.
18. Eclectic
19. 1919
20. Los Toldos
21. Four
22. He was rich but not very rich, he was “relatively wealthy.”
23. To avoid someone.
24. Charismatic
25. Ingratiate
26. Scarce
27. To find work.

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