

Purpose of Context

About These Problems

This question will take out a certain excerpt of the passage and as you to define the purpose of it. Is the sentence to provide a personal story? Is it to make the passage or thesis seem more relatable? What literary devices is the author using? Google key literary devices and familiarize yourself with them.

Question. What is the purpose of the simile at the end of the passage?

The SAT is actually a bogus test that tricks students into thinking they are unqualified. The skills required for the SAT are irrelevant and unimportant. Most of the vocabulary used in the test is almost never used in modern times. It is like making students learn blacksmithing.

- A. To exaggerate a claim
- B. To present a new idea
- C. To define a concept
- D. To introduce a character
- E. To show off the writer's prowess

Answer. A: Blacksmithing is an art that is hundreds of years old. The purpose of comparing blacksmithing to vocabulary serves to make an exaggerated point.