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English IV
Akeelah and the Bee

1. Describe Akeelah. List at least three characteristics of her personality.

2. When her teacher first suggests it, why does Akeelah not want to participate in the spelling bee? Why does she avoid something she'd be good at?

3. What makes Akeelah change her attitude and want to compete in the later spelling bees?

4. List some new words you learn while watching this movie (and be sure to spell them correctly):
 - A.
 - B.
 - C.
 - D.
 - E.

5. There are several conflicts in this story, both internal and external. Describe the internal conflicts Akeelah is experiencing. Explain at least one decisions she struggles to make, or one personal problem she struggles to overcome. In the end, how does she resolve the conflict?

6. The movie also includes examples of external conflict. Explain at least two external conflicts you see in this film (these may include conflicts between Akeelah and another person, society, nature, or fate).

A.

B.

The following questions should NOT be answered until you've watched the entire movie.

7. Akeelah can relate to many of the other characters in the film. Pick three other people in the movie, and explain what Akeelah has in common with each.

A.

B.

C.

8. What message is this story sending?
What do you think the point (or theme) of this story may be?

9. In this movie Akeelah discovers a hidden talent. What's your talent? What are you good at?
What do you enjoy?