Anson Dorrance

1. What does Anson Dorrance mean when he says, “Are you with me?”
   A. Did you listen to your coach?
   B. Did you study the competing team?
   C. Did you make soccer your top priority?
   D. Did you show up on time for the game?

2. What is Dorrance’s top priority, according to the players interviewed for the profile?
   A. advancing soccer
   B. winning soccer games
   C. improving players’ lives
   D. crediting UNC-Chapel Hill

3. Which word best describes Dorrance, according to the players who commented for the profile?
   A. disciplinarian
   B. mentor
   C. reporter
   D. strategist

4. Building better relationships
   Competing
   Improving players’ lives
   E?
4. Which best fits in the circle above, based on the profile?
   A. what Dorrance values
   B. what soccer promotes
   C. what Crothers promotes
   D. what women players value

5. Where was Dorrance born?
   A. Canada
   B. India
   C. Kenya
   D. United States

6. What is Dorrance’s top priority, according to Tim Crothers?
   A. advancing soccer
   B. winning soccer games
   C. improving players’ lives
   D. crediting UNC-Chapel Hill

7. What is the meaning of “to grow” in this statement by Tim Crothers? “His real mission in his career is to grow the game of soccer, and what it takes to grow the game of soccer is what he wants to do….”
   A. to enlarge
   B. to mend
   C. to promote
   D. to neglect

8. Which is the correct order of events in Dorrance’s life?
   1. Two of his children attended UNC-CH
   2. He walked on to the men’s soccer team at UNC
   3. He became a three-time all ACC player
   4. He chose to coach the women’s soccer team
   5. He became coach of the men’s soccer team.
   6. He enrolled at St. Mary’s in San Antonio, Texas

   A. 6, 2, 3, 1, 4, 5
   B. 6, 2, 4, 3, 5, 1
   C. 6, 2, 3, 4, 5, 1
   D. 6, 2, 3, 5, 4, 1
9. What does “sugar coat” refer to?
   A. Chocolate dip
   B. Courage
   C. Energy drinks
   D. Truth

WORDS: What does the text tell you about an attribute or meaning of the following? What clues do you find in context? Does any word have a prefix or suffix, similar word or word within the word that aids in defining the word?

1. prominent
2. victor
3. idolized
4. authenticity
5. legacy

WRITING PROMPTS:

What do you think Dorrance refers to when he speaks to his biographer about lessons he and his players have taught each other through soccer? “They’ve taught me how to relate better as a human being, and I’ve taught them how to compete. They’ve given me one of the great gifts that women possess, and I’ve given them one of the great gifts that men possess, and I am clearly the victor in the exchange.”

Interview other coaches. Ask what they give to and receive from players on their team. Write what you learn about coaching. Cite sources.

Extra: Examine all of the quotes in the profile. Who was interviewed? Did the person interview Anson Dorrance? Discuss what you find and its implications.