NC of Note-Study Guide (student edition)

Jim Beatty

1. Why did Jim Beatty get up so early when he attending high school?
   A. He drove a school bus.
   B. He delivered newspapers.
   C. He practiced with the track team.
   D. He belonged to the marching band.

2. Which sport did Beatty choose first?
   A. boxing
   B. football
   C. track
   D. wrestling

3. Where did Beatty spend most of his early years?
   A. Chapel Hill
   B. Charlotte
   C. Los Angeles
   D. Manhattan

4. Which heading belongs in the circle above?

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A. Charlotte’s Central High School
B. Los Angeles Track Club
C. University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
D. USA Olympic Track Team

5. What was the “first” that Beatty said could not be taken away?
   A. 26 American world records
   B. men’s 5000-meter gold medal
   C. indoor mile in under 4 minutes
   D. three ACC cross-country championships

6. How did ABC TV honor Jim Beatty?
   A. produced a documentary on his life
   B. recognized him for lifetime achievement
   C. named him first-ever American Athlete of the Year
   D. sponsored a feature about him in Sports Illustrated

7. Which ended Jim Beatty’s track career?
   A. age
   B. finances
   C. illness
   D. injury

8. How is Beatty described?
   A. assertive
   B. honest
   C. determined
   D. outward

9. What elected office did he hold in Charlotte, after he moved back to Charlotte from California?
   A. Commissioner
   B. Mayor
   C. Member of the School Board
   D. State legislator

**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. track
2. elated
3. abrupt
WRITING PROMPTS:
Create “talking points” about Beatty to present to your school committee to convince decision-makers to invite Beatty to give a motivational speaker to your school’s student body. Deliver your points in a convincing way to one or more classmates.

If you could hear anyone from news give a motivational speech whom would you choose and why.

Extra: Compare what Beatty offers as an inspirational speaker with what other individuals profiled in North Carolinians of Note offer (Cheek, for example). If you were asked to recommend one to speak to your school, whom would you choose?