

Reading Questions: *Standing Ground*
from the Chapter Entitled
“The Hospital”

- 1. What is the importance of paragraph 1 on page 92?**
 - A. It describes how upset Mr. Rodriguez is about the situation.
 - B. It gives a good description of the scene in the hospital.
 - C. It demonstrates the severity of Clarisa’s injuries.
 - D. It shows how difficult it is to pay a doctor.

- 2. Which sentence on page 92 best suggests that Israel is planning a retaliation?**
 - A. “*And I promise, the dudes that did this are gonna pay, big time!*”
 - B. *Man, I’m glad they found us. But how ... how did they know where were?*
 - C. *Clarisa grabbed her arm with both hands. “Come on, Maribel. I need to talk to you.”*
 - D. “*Why did you snitch on me and Israel?*”

- 3. What is the best description of Clarisa’s conversation with Maribel on pages 93?**
 - A. humorous and informative
 - B. timid and scary
 - C. mean and loud
 - D. verbose and shocking

4. In the hospital room, Maribel is more than likely upset with Israel because...

- A. Clarisa's injuries are life-threatening
- B. there was a very long wait to receive a hospital room
- C. he will not talk to Mr. Rodriguez
- D. she blames him for getting her sister into a dangerous situation

5. On pages 96 through 98, Clarisa finally realizes that...

- A. she never wants to see Israel again
- B. Israel was the cause of her being injured
- C. her choices caused her to be in the situation that they are in
- D. it is important for Israel to call his homeboys and make a plan

6. Which of the following is one similarity between Mr. Rodriguez and Israel?

- A. They both want to retaliate against the other gang.
- B. They both are from the neighborhood and understand gangs.
- C. They each have a sister.
- D. Both feel that Clarisa should receive a punishment for her actions.

7. For Israel, Mr. Rodriguez's story about his little sisters evokes a feeling of ...

- A. rage
- B. understanding
- C. fear
- D. sadness

8. By the end of the chapter, how is Israel’s mood?

- A. sober
- B. angry
- C. jovial
- D. fearful

9. After reading the entire chapter, the reader can conclude that...

- A. Señora Sanchez is going to severely punish Clarisa for putting everyone in so much danger.
- B. The main characters have undergone a life-changing experience and have a great deal to ponder.
- C. Israel is not a trustworthy person and will never see the Sanchez family again
- D. Clarisa does not love Israel anymore and is never going to talk to him again.