

1. What did Matt Hoffman donate to a cancer patient?

- A cells
- B footballs
- C money
- D clothing

2. What was the effect of Matt Hoffman's donation?

- A Hoffman's donation angered members of his football team.
- B Hoffman's donation led to a new discovery about lymphoma.
- C Hoffman's donation made his arms sore for several weeks.
- D Hoffman's donation saved Warren Sallach's life.

3. Read this paragraph from the text:

"Shortly after the phone conversation, the two men met face-to-face at an awards banquet in Salem, Va. Hoffman had invited Sallach and his wife, Becky, and their son Travis, 9, to sit with him. Hoffman was there as a nominee for the Gagliardi Trophy for Division III football. He had already been selected defensive player of the year by the New Jersey Athletic Conference. In the end, Hoffman didn't win the Gagliardi award, but meeting Sallach was prize enough."

Based on this evidence, how did Hoffman probably feel about meeting Sallach?

- A Hoffman was eager and happy to meet Sallach.
- B Hoffman was nervous and scared to meet Sallach.
- C Hoffman was indifferent and uninterested in meeting Sallach.
- D Hoffman was resentful and angry about meeting Sallach.

4. Read this paragraph from the text:

"The stem cells used to treat diseases of the blood and the immune system typically come from two sources, says Sue Paprocki of Be The Match. In 24 percent of cases, the source is bone marrow. Bone marrow is spongy tissue at the center of bones that produces new blood cells, including immune cells. A needle is inserted into the donor's pelvic bone, and the marrow is extracted with a syringe. The donor's body replaces the depleted bone marrow within weeks."

Based on this paragraph, what does the word "extracted" probably mean?

- A put together
- B taken out
- C stirred slowly
- D broken

5. What is the main idea of this text?

A Lymphoma is a form of cancer that affects the infection-fighting lymphatic system.

B Thousands of people have diseases that could benefit from stem cell transplants.

C Matt Hoffman paid it forward by donating life-giving cells to a cancer patient.

D The Be The Match Registry is run by the National Marrow Donor Program.

6. What are stem cells?

7. Explain how stem cells can be used to help someone with lymphoma. Support your answer with information from the text.

8. Choose the word that best completes the sentence.

_____ Hoffman's health history form was approved, he was given a cheek swab and entered into the Be The Match database.

A After

B Yet

C Like

D Though

9. Answer the following questions based on the sentence below.

Matt Hoffman was given a medication to stimulate the formation of blood cells five days prior to donation day.

Who? Matt Hoffman

(was) What? _____

Why? _____

When? _____

10. Vocabulary Word: analysis: an examination of the parts of something in order to understand more about the whole.

Use the vocabulary word in a sentence:
