

Mariano Rivera

Answer Key

True or False Answers

1. False - He was born in Panama
2. True
3. False - He did not speak English when he came to America
4. False - He only played for the Yankees
5. True
6. False - He learned it by accident
7. False - He has three sons
8. True
9. True
10. False - He stopped in 2013

Multiple Choice Answers

1. b) On fishing boats
2. c) Cutter
3. b) Enter Sandman
4. c) 652
5. c) 42

Short Answer Suggested Responses

1. He gives money to schools and helps build churches
2. He used cardboard and milk cartons
3. He needed to work to help his family
4. \$3,000
5. He was the first player to get all the votes (100% of votes)

Fill in the Blanks Answers

1. Panama
2. Mo
3. shortstop
4. 19
5. church

Sequence Correct Order

1. Rivera is born in Panama
2. Rivera learns the cutter pitch
3. Rivera becomes the Yankees' closer
4. Rivera stops playing baseball
5. Rivera enters the Hall of Fame

Thinking Questions - Sample Responses

Answers will vary but should include:

1. He was calm, worked hard, had a special pitch, and never gave up
2. He was quiet, helped others, and was the same person whether he won or lost
3. Work hard, be kind, never give up, help others, stay calm
4. He was kind, professional, and helped young players
5. He built churches, gave money to schools, and helped poor children