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Pairing Questions for "Theseus and the Minotaur" and "The Underground Railroad"

Directions: After reading the texts, choose the best answer for the multiple-choice questions below and respond to the writing questions in complete sentences.

1. PART A: Which of the following qualities led to Theseus' and Harriet Tubman's successes? [RI.3, RL.3]
 - A. bravery in the face of danger
 - B. patience despite pressure
 - C. tolerance of others who think differently from them
 - D. knowledge of their enemies

2. PART B: Select TWO quotations that best support the answer to Part A. [RI.1, RL.1]
 - A. "Theseus insisted that he understood the dangers but would succeed. 'I will return to you, father,' cried Theseus, as the ship left the harbour wall, 'and you will be proud of your son.'" ("Theseus and the Minotaur," Paragraph 9)
 - B. "Then I wish you good luck, my son,' cried his father, 'I shall keep watch for you every day. If you are successful, take down these black sails and replace them with white ones. That way I will know you are coming home safe to me.'" ("Theseus and the Minotaur," Paragraph 10)
 - C. "Theseus walked carefully through the dark, foul-smelling passages of the labyrinth, expecting at any moment to come face-to-face with the creature." ("Theseus and the Minotaur," Paragraph 19)
 - D. "This was indeed risky business, because slave catchers and sheriffs were constantly on the lookout." ("The Underground Railroad," Paragraph 5)
 - E. "She threatened to shoot any slave who had second thoughts with the pistol she carried on her hip." ("The Underground Railroad," Paragraph 5)
 - F. "When the Civil War broke out, she used her knowledge from working the railroad to serve as a spy for the Union." ("The Underground Railroad," Paragraph 5)

3. What motivations do Theseus and Harriet Tubman share? [RI.3, RL.3]
