

Identifying Perspectives

1. Monique agrees that eating lunch before the race might have been a **variable** that affected Gregory's performance. What else does Gregory think was a **variable** in the race?
 - a. The other boy got a head start.
 - b. It was raining that day.
 - c. The other student had new sneakers.
 - d. The teachers liked the other student better than Gregory.
2. Why does Gregory want to do more than one **trial** for the running contest?
 - a. He thinks he could win if he had a second chance.
 - b. He always runs badly his first time.
 - c. He ran in a different contest that allowed him more than one **trial**.
 - d. He wants to run against people who are slower than him.
3. Why does Angelina finally agree with Gregory that the contest didn't determine the best runner in the school?
 - a. She knows he is a good runner.
 - b. She is a friend of Gregory's and wants him to be happy.
 - c. She agrees that **controlling** other **variables** will make the contest better.
 - d. Monique says that Gregory is right.

For discussion:



- What other **variables** could affect a race?
- Why is it important to do multiple **trials** in a race?
- In what other ways could this race have been changed in order to make it more **fair**?