



7th Grade English

Unit 1 Literature

“Learning to Love My Mother”

Worksheets

MEDIA QUESTIONS

Learning to Love My Mother

Maya Angelou with Michael Maher

DIRECTIONS: Respond to these questions. Use evidence from the video to support your responses.

1.(a) **Contrast** According to Maya Angelou's descriptions in the video, how was her grandmother different from her mother? (b) **Analyze** Why did the contrasting personalities of Angelou's mother and grandmother make it difficult for Angelou to understand her mother?

2.(a) **Interpret** What might Angelou mean when she says "And I realized there are some people who are great parents of small people. My mother was just the opposite"? (b) **Support** What information in the video supports your interpretation?

3.**Evaluate** Do the photographs shown at various points in the video make the interview more effective or less effective? Why?

4.**Synthesize** Which piece of Angelou's advice do you think is the most valuable? Why?
