

Answers

1. When did the tradition of the 'poet laureate' begin?

17th Century

2. What evidence in the text is there that the organisers of the NFL Super Bowl enjoyed Amanda Gorman's inauguration poem 'The Hill We Climb'?

Accept any response which refers to the fact that she has been asked to write and perform a poem for the Super Bowl/that poetry is not generally performed at the event, e.g. I think they enjoyed it because they wanted her to be part of their event.

3. 'She has now been signed up to a modelling agency, joining a host of the world's top models.' What does the word 'host' mean in this sentence? (tick one)

- a leader
- a membership
- an audience
- a selection of**

4. Number the events from 1-4 to show the order that they appear in the article. One has been done for you.

4 Amanda's books went to the top of the book charts.

1 She recited her poem 'The Hill We Climb.'

2 Gorman was invited to perform at the NFL Super Bowl.

3 She signed up to a modelling agency.

5. How do you think Amanda might have felt when she was first asked to perform at President Joe Biden's inauguration?

Accept any response which recognises that she may have felt proud/nervous/excited/happy, e.g. I think she would have felt nervous but also excited to perform in front of such a huge audience.

6. Summarise the key information in the article using 15 words or fewer.

Accept any reasonable answer which summarises the key information in 15 words or fewer, e.g. Amanda Gorman becomes famous after performing her poem at Joe Biden's inauguration.