**Question 3** 23lmu21306

**a. Read the lyrics of the song below*.* Pay special attention to the two groups (boys and girls) and what they each say about living in America.**

**America -** Lyrics of the 2021 film

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**Anita:**
I like the island Manhattan!
Smoke on your pipe and put that in!
I like to be in America!

**Shark Girls:**
Okay by me in America!

**Puerto Ricans:**
Everything free in America!

**Bernardo:**
For a small fee in America

**Anita:**
Buying on credit is so nice!

**Bernardo:**
One look at us and they charge twice!

**Rosalía:**
I have my own washing machine!

**Bernardo:**
What will you have though to keep clean?

**Anita, Rosalía and Luz:**
Skyscrapers bloom in America!
Cadillacs zoom in America!
Industry boom in America!

**Sharks Boys:**
Twelve in a room in America!

**Anita:**
Lots of new housing with more space

**Sharks Boys:**
Lots of doors slamming in our face!

**Anita:**
I'll get a terrace apartment

**Bernardo:**
Better get rid of your accent

**Anita, Rosalía and Luz**
Life can be bright in America

**Sharks Boys**
If you can fight in America!

**Anita:**
Life is all right in America!

**Bernardo:**
If you're all white in America!

**Bernardo and Quique**
La la la la la America!

**Bernardo:**
America!

**Puerto Ricans:**
La la la la la la, America!

**Anita:**
America!

**Shark Girls:**
Here you are free and you have pride!

**Sharks Boys:**
Long as you stay on your own side

**Shark Girls:**
Free to do anything you choose!

**Sharks Boys:**
Free to wait tables1 and shine shoes!

**Bernardo:**
Everywhere grime2 in America!
Organized crime in America!
Terrible time in America!

**Anita:**
You forget I'm in America

**Bernardo:**
I think I'll go back to San Juan

**Anita:**
I know a boat you can get on!

**Bernardo:**
Everyone there will give big cheer!

**Anita:**
Everyone there will have moved here

1. serve meals in a restaurant – 2. dirt

**b. For each of the following statements, say if the girl(s) or the boy(s) in the song would agree with it. Find a quote from the song to justify.**

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| **Statements** | **The girl(s)** | **The boy(s)** |
| **You can buy anything you like in America.** |  |  |
| **Racism prevails in America.** |  |  |
| **America offers a great standard of living.** |  |  |
| **There’s a lot of violence in America.** |  |  |
| **Immigrants can feel proud of themselves in America.**  |  |  |
| **America is an awful place to live.** |  |  |
| **You can live in nice apartments in America.**  |  |  |
| **Immigrants can only get low paid and low skilled jobs.** |  |  |
| **It is better to get back to Puerto Rico.** |  |  |
| **America is the land of freedom.** |  |  |

**c. Sum up the two visions of life in America.**

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| **Vision 1: girls** |  |
| **Vision 2: boys** |  |