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**“The Moustache”: Pre-Reading Activity**

**Directions:** *Read the text below, then record your response to the prompt in the space provided. Be prepared to share your thoughts.*

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| As people get older, everybody loses some of their ability to remember and think. It is a normal part of aging. However, some people develop a disease called dementia that causes them to lose their memory and cognitive abilities much quicker than expected.  There is no known cure for the disease, and about 10% of all people can expect to develop dementia in their lifetimes. About half of all people over 85 have dementia.    With this in mind, consider this statement: | “Brain” by Laura Dahl is licensed under CC BY-NC 2.0. |

**A good memory is more important than a strong body.**

Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Explain your perspective.

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