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## City Beats: The Rhythm of Redemption

### Open-Ended Response Answer Key

1. The old community center symbolizes the potential for positive change within the neighborhood. Its restoration represents a return to a sense of community, a place for creativity, and a beacon of hope for residents. As it transforms from a dilapidated building to a vibrant hub of artistic expression, it becomes a testament to the power of determination and collective effort.
2. Jamal and his friends are driven by their shared love for dance and a deep desire to create a safe space where young people can pursue their passions without being lured by the temptations of the streets. They believe in the potential of their neighborhood and are motivated to make a difference by revitalizing the community center.
3. The theme of resilience and determination is evident in Jamal and his friends' unwavering commitment to their mission. Despite facing limited resources, resistance from some community members, and the pull of
4. Answers may vary depending on the student's personal reflection to the message.

