

## Quick Check

## Chickens in My Backyard

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions:** Read each question carefully and choose the best answer.

1. What is the main idea of this book?
  - Ⓐ Savannah's family raises chickens.
  - Ⓑ Savannah's family learns to tell chickens apart.
  - Ⓒ Savannah's family cooks chickens for supper.
  - Ⓓ Savannah's family builds chicken coops.
2. What do you know about Savannah because of the way she takes care of her chickens?
  - Ⓐ She is selfish.
  - Ⓑ She is unhappy.
  - Ⓒ She is pretty.
  - Ⓓ She is responsible.
3. Which word means *small, rounded masses of something, such as food*?
  - Ⓐ slugs
  - Ⓑ coops
  - Ⓒ pellets
  - Ⓓ chicks
4. Which of the following is a detail that supports the main idea?
  - Ⓐ Savannah lives in Tucson, Arizona.
  - Ⓑ Savannah cleans the chicken coops and puts bedding in the nesting boxes.
  - Ⓒ The family has a dog named Trixie, who is kind to the chickens.
  - Ⓓ A coyote showed up in the alley behind their house.
5. What do the chickens do after they climb into their coop at night?
  - Ⓐ They lay eggs.
  - Ⓑ They eat insects and slugs.
  - Ⓒ They go to sleep.
  - Ⓓ They grind up their food.

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6. How does Trixie's barking keep the chickens safe?
  - Ⓐ Her barking scares away the chickens.
  - Ⓑ Her barking scares away the coyotes.
  - Ⓒ Her barking draws the coyotes nearer.
  - Ⓓ None of the above
7. The pebbles the chickens eat \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ make the pellets and table scraps taste better
  - Ⓑ make the chickens sick
  - Ⓒ help keep the chickens' teeth clean
  - Ⓓ help grind up the food the chickens eat
8. Which of the following is not a detail that supports the main idea?
  - Ⓐ Dad closes the coop door to keep the chickens safe at night.
  - Ⓑ Savannah and her sister feed the chickens pellets and table scraps.
  - Ⓒ Savannah's family find the chickens if they escape from the backyard.
  - Ⓓ Scott Jr. looks funny when she gets wet and her feathers stand up.
9. What caused Savannah's family to name one of the chicks Sleepy?
  - Ⓐ The chick always fell asleep in their hands.
  - Ⓑ The chick was always too tired to eat.
  - Ⓒ The chick was always the last one to fall asleep.
  - Ⓓ The chick always looked tired.

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**10. What is a **coop**?**

- Ⓐ a place for dogs to live
- Ⓑ a type of animal that lays eggs
- Ⓒ a large cage in which birds are kept
- Ⓓ baby birds

**11. Extended Response:** Why did the author include a glossary at the end of this book?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
2. Ⓓ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
3. Ⓒ Vocabulary
4. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
5. Ⓒ Sequence Events
6. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
7. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
8. Ⓓ Main Idea and Details
9. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
10. Ⓒ Vocabulary
11. Answers should include the following: *the author wanted the reader to be able to look up unknown vocabulary words before, during, or after reading the story.*