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

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. What setting do the rats want to leave? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ the country Ⓑ the ship Ⓒ the city Ⓓ the cargo bay 2. Who is the first person to find the rats? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ the cook Ⓑ the captain Ⓒ the first mate Ⓓ the anchorman 3. How do you know that the sailors do not like the captain? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ They do not burn the ship. Ⓑ They mend the sails and rope. Ⓒ They drop the anchor. Ⓓ They set traps. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How do you know that this story is a fantasy? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ The sailors and the rats work together. Ⓑ The rats chew holes in the sails. Ⓒ The rats live in the cargo bay. Ⓓ The captain sails away in a lifeboat. 5. What is the problem in this story? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ The sailors do not follow the captain's orders. Ⓑ The captain sails away from the ship. Ⓒ The rats are doing damage on the ship. Ⓓ There are holes in the sails. |
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6. Why does the captain sail the ship into a quiet bay?
 - Ⓐ to get rid of the ratty rats
 - Ⓑ to get away from the storm
 - Ⓒ to mend the sails and anchor
 - Ⓓ to be close to the shore
7. *Nibbled cheese and holes in the sails are **evidence** of rats on the ship.* What does **evidence** mean?
 - Ⓐ proof
 - Ⓑ favorites
 - Ⓒ ideas
 - Ⓓ hiding places
8. Which of these four events happened first?
 - Ⓐ The cook found proof of rats on the ship.
 - Ⓑ The anchor rope was chewed up.
 - Ⓒ The traps were set.
 - Ⓓ The captain rowed to shore.
9. When the sailors **hoist** the sails, they _____.
 - Ⓐ carry them
 - Ⓑ raise them
 - Ⓒ take them down
 - Ⓓ wash them
10. Why don't the traps work?
 - Ⓐ The rats figure out how to get the cheese without getting caught.
 - Ⓑ The sailors don't put the traps in the right places.
 - Ⓒ The rats don't like the cheese.
 - Ⓓ The rats are smart enough to stay away from the traps.
11. **Extended Response:** Write what you think might happen to the captain next.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Ratty Rats

Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓒ *Story Elements*
2. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓐ *Identify Genre*
5. Ⓒ *Problem Solution*
6. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
7. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
9. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary but should include a prediction of what might happen.