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

1. What was the setting for this story?
 - Ⓐ at home in the spring
 - Ⓑ at the river in the winter
 - Ⓒ at the circus in the spring
 - Ⓓ at the park in the summer
2. What did the students do before they went to the circus?
 - Ⓐ cut out animal shapes
 - Ⓑ played trapeze on the swings
 - Ⓒ made a big tent out of paper
 - Ⓓ all of the above
3. What animal did Snubby Nose want to see?
 - Ⓐ lion
 - Ⓑ tiger
 - Ⓒ elephant
 - Ⓓ kangaroo
4. The Hoppers sat sadly on their doorstep because _____.
 - Ⓐ the circus was too far away
 - Ⓑ their parents didn't like the circus
 - Ⓒ there was no time to go to the circus
 - Ⓓ the Hoppers didn't have the money for the circus
5. Why did Grandpa Grizzly give the Hoppers silver coins?
 - Ⓐ He had too many in his pockets.
 - Ⓑ He wanted the Hoppers to go to the circus.
 - Ⓒ The Hoppers had worked hard to earn them.
 - Ⓓ The Hoppers were going to buy some new toys.

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6. How did the Hoppers feel when Grandpa Grizzly pulled the silver coin from Snubby Nose's pocket?
Ⓐ sad
Ⓑ upset
Ⓒ worried
Ⓓ surprised
7. Read this sentence: *In the story, the Hoppers saw the horses prance.* What does **prance** mean?
Ⓐ walk while lifting legs
Ⓑ jump over barrels
Ⓒ make lots of noise
Ⓓ have a race
8. Why did Snubby Nose cry and scream at the circus the first time?
Ⓐ He got lost in all the people.
Ⓑ He was scared of the tiger.
Ⓒ He wanted more popcorn.
Ⓓ He had to go home.
9. What happened after Grandpa Grizzly gave the Hoppers silver coins?
Ⓐ The Hoppers ran off to school to show their teacher.
Ⓑ The Hoppers used the coins to buy some ice cream.
Ⓒ The Hoppers went to the circus.
Ⓓ The Hoppers played hide and seek in the yard.
10. Why was Snubby Nose happy at the end of the story?
Ⓐ He got to be a lion tamer.
Ⓑ He was able to join the real circus.
Ⓒ The Hoppers could play circus at home.
Ⓓ All of the above
11. **Extended Response:** Explain why the circus clowns didn't let Snubby Nose join the circus.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

To the Circus

Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓒ *Story Elements*
2. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓒ *Story Elements*
4. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
7. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
9. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
10. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary somewhat but should include the following idea: *Snubby Nose was too young to join the real circus.*