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

1. What causes oil to be an important resource?
 - Ⓐ We use oil for many different things.
 - Ⓑ We use oil to make oil spills.
 - Ⓒ We can get oil out of the ground.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
2. What is an **oil spill**?
 - Ⓐ an accident while cooking
 - Ⓑ an accidental leak of oil into the environment
 - Ⓒ a well that harms people and other animals
 - Ⓓ a machine that drills for oil
3. What is the main idea of the section "How We Get Oil"?
 - Ⓐ We get oil from deep underground.
 - Ⓑ We use pipes to bring oil to the surface.
 - Ⓒ We only find oil below the ocean floor.
 - Ⓓ We use oil rigs to bring up oil from underground.
4. What can cause an oil spill?
 - Ⓐ a leaking well
 - Ⓑ an oil tanker crash
 - Ⓒ a fire on an oil rig
 - Ⓓ all of the above
5. Read this sentence: *Large drills dig wells to bring oil to the **surface**.* The **surface** is _____.
 - Ⓐ a deep hole dug in the ground
 - Ⓑ the top part of the land or ocean that touches the air above it
 - Ⓒ the power to do work or move objects
 - Ⓓ a problem oil rigs can have

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6. In the book, a floating oil rig caught on fire. What happened to the rig next?
 - Ⓐ It floated far away from where it was drilling.
 - Ⓑ It burned and sank into the water.
 - Ⓒ It leaked tons of oil into the ocean.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
7. Some people think we should keep carrying oil over oceans in ships because _____.
 - Ⓐ it is not dangerous
 - Ⓑ rules help keep oil spills from happening
 - Ⓒ it is easy for things to go wrong
 - Ⓓ the chance of an oil spill happening is high
8. How do oil spills harm plants and animals?
 - Ⓐ Oil spills cover the places plants and animals live with oil.
 - Ⓑ Oil spills make it harder for animals to find food.
 - Ⓒ Plants covered in oil can no longer get energy from the sun.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
9. What is one effect a large oil spill can have?
 - Ⓐ It can cause oil rigs to sink into the ocean.
 - Ⓑ It can make using large drills difficult.
 - Ⓒ It can kill plants and animals.
 - Ⓓ It can float on the ocean.
10. Some people think we should not drill for oil under the ocean because _____.
 - Ⓐ oil is not an important resource
 - Ⓑ oil cannot be found there
 - Ⓒ oil spills could happen
 - Ⓓ oil under the land is better

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11. Extended Response: Think about at least one thing in your life that is made using oil. How might your life be different if people no longer drilled for oil?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Oil: A Messy Resource

Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

1. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
2. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
3. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
7. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
8. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
10. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary but students will likely choose something mentioned in the introduction section of the book and tell at least one way his or her life would be different.