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

1. What is this story mostly about?
  - Ⓐ the seasons
  - Ⓑ Planet Earth
  - Ⓒ continents and oceans
  - Ⓓ longitude and latitude
2. What are **continents**?
  - Ⓐ animals
  - Ⓑ special oceans
  - Ⓒ islands in lakes
  - Ⓓ large pieces of land
3. How is the northern half of Earth different from the southern half in January?
  - Ⓐ It is daytime in the north and nighttime in the south.
  - Ⓑ The north spins around faster than the south.
  - Ⓒ The north is tilted closer to the Sun than the south.
  - Ⓓ It is winter in the north and summer in the south.
4. If you plan a trip to the equator, which item should you leave at home?
  - Ⓐ umbrella
  - Ⓑ swimsuit
  - Ⓒ warm coat
  - Ⓓ sunscreen
5. Because Earth is tilted, it has \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ air
  - Ⓑ sun
  - Ⓒ lakes
  - Ⓓ seasons
6. Why did the author most likely write this book?
  - Ⓐ to teach readers about Earth
  - Ⓑ to tell a funny story about Earth
  - Ⓒ to convince readers to stay on Earth
  - Ⓓ to invite readers to visit Mercury

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7. Which sentence is an opinion?
  - Ⓐ Earth is the luckiest planet.
  - Ⓑ Earth can support life.
  - Ⓒ Earth travels around the Sun.
  - Ⓓ Earth's tilt creates seasons.
8. **Longitude** and **latitude** lines identify \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ whether it is day or night
  - Ⓑ locations on Earth
  - Ⓒ different kinds of attitudes
  - Ⓓ the shape of the earth
9. What detail supports the main idea that Earth has seasons?
  - Ⓐ Long ago, people got lost when sailing across the oceans.
  - Ⓑ The North and South Poles get the most direct sunlight.
  - Ⓒ Earth travels around the Sun once per year.
  - Ⓓ Earth has four oceans and seven continents.

10. Who was talking in this story?
  - Ⓐ a boy
  - Ⓑ Earth
  - Ⓒ a star
  - Ⓓ Mr. Jones
11. **Extended Response:** Explain why it is important to take care of Earth.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Introducing Planet Earth

*Main Comprehension Skill: Main idea and Details*

1. Ⓑ *Main idea and Details*
2. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
3. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
4. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
7. Ⓐ *Fact or Opinion*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓒ *Main idea and Details*
10. Ⓑ *Story Elements*
11. Answers will vary but likely would include these ideas:  
*Earth has all the things we need to live, and if we didn't take care of Earth we would not survive.*