

Quick Check

Fantastic Flying Machines

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. What kind of flying machine was thought of before the Wright brothers flew?
 - Ⓐ a helicopter
 - Ⓑ a hot-air balloon
 - Ⓒ a glider
 - Ⓓ all of the above
2. How long did Orville Wright fly on December 17, 1903?
 - Ⓐ five minutes
 - Ⓑ one hour
 - Ⓒ twenty seconds
 - Ⓓ one minute
3. What can a jet do that other planes cannot?
 - Ⓐ fly quietly
 - Ⓑ fly high
 - Ⓒ fly far
 - Ⓓ fly at night
4. Military cargo planes are used to _____.
 - Ⓐ carry trucks, supplies, and troops
 - Ⓑ fly fast
 - Ⓒ fight in battles
 - Ⓓ land in small places
5. How are blimps and hot-air balloons alike?
 - Ⓐ They can't be steered.
 - Ⓑ They are used for fighting.
 - Ⓒ They can carry heavy things.
 - Ⓓ They fly slowly.
6. What is a **rocket**?
 - Ⓐ an airplane that carries a lot of people
 - Ⓑ a powerful type of engine
 - Ⓒ a type of glider
 - Ⓓ a plane with a propeller

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7. Which word means *to float*?

- Ⓐ spin
- Ⓑ steer
- Ⓒ blimp
- Ⓓ drift

8. What are helicopters used for?

- Ⓐ fighting fires
- Ⓑ chasing criminals
- Ⓒ taking people to hospitals
- Ⓓ all of the above

9. What type of engine is used to travel into space?

- Ⓐ a rocket
- Ⓑ a glider
- Ⓒ a blimp
- Ⓓ a helicopter

10. Before the Wright brothers built their airplane, they _____.

- Ⓐ built a submarine
- Ⓑ studied other people's ideas
- Ⓒ built a car
- Ⓓ invented the parachute

11. Extended Response: How would things be different if flying machines were never invented? Use details from the book to support your answer.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
2. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
6. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
7. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
11. Answers will vary. Example:
If flying machines were never invented, people wouldn't be able to travel quickly to far away places and astronauts wouldn't be able to fly to space.