1. According to the text, why does Jacob stop playing the guitar?

**a. It hurt his fingers.** b. He’d rather play drums. c. It was too easy. d. He failed math.

2. To whom did Jacob want to play Black Eyed Peas songs?

a. Alex **b. Angie** c. Mom d. Dad

3. According to the passage, why does Jacob decide that he wants a metal detector?

a. He sees a man at the park with one. b. His father had one as a child.

c. He saw a TV commercial for one. **d. He read an ad for one in a comic book.**

4. How does Jacob get the items that he wants in the story?

a. He asks his mom. b. He asks his dad.

c. He shovels driveways and mows lawns. **d. He does all of these things to get what he wants.**

5. When did Jacob buy the metal detector?

a. In the fall b. In the summer **c. In the spring** d. In the winter

6. True or False: The metal detector was a good investment for Jacob.

a. True **b. False**

7. Why doesn’t Jacob’s father want to get him the magician’s kit for his birthday?

a. Jacob failed math class. **b. Jacob quits too many expensive activities.**

c. Jacob has been mean to his younger brother. d. Jacob went to the park without permission.

8. Why does Jacob’s father buy Jacob the magician’s kit?

a. Jacob mowed the lawn. **b. Jacob reminded his father of himself.**

c. Jacob bought ice cream for his brother. d. Jacob found his father’s key ring.

9. Which word is closest in meaning to the italicized word in the following sentence from paragraph

four: “It was no surprise that Jacob’s father was reluctant to buy him a magician’s kit for his birthday”?

a. Happy b. Willing c. Proud **d. Hesitant**

10. What distracts Jacob from the magician’s kit?

**a. A TV commercia**l b. His father c. The kitchen table d. A comic book

11. Based on the end of the story, Jacob is most likely to go on and do which of the following?

a. Become a great magician b. Learn to play guitar well

c. Detect an incredible hidden treasure **d. Raise money to go to space camp**

14. Which character trait best describes Jacob in regards to his hobbies?

a. Dedicated **b. Impulsive** c. Committed d. Devoted

15. What was the author’s purpose in writing this text?

a. Inform b. Persuade **c. Entertain** d. Confuse

16. In what genre is this story?

**a. Fiction** b. Nonfiction c. Folklore d. Poetry

17. In what subgenre is this story?

a. Biography b. Historical Fiction **c. Realistic Fiction** d. Fable

18. In which pattern is the text organized?

a. Problem and Solution b. Chronological c. Sequence **d. Cause and Effect**

19. From what point is view is the story narrated?

a. First-Person b. Third-Person Objective

c. Second-Person **d. Third-Person Omniscient**

20. Which poetic technique is used in the following line: “He beeped it around the park for a while”?

**a. Onomatopoeia** b. Simile c. Personification d. Hyperbole

21. Which technique is used in the following line: “He had gotten into a million hobbies and activities”

a. Onomatopoeia b. Simile c. Personification **d. Hyperbole**

22. Which technique is used in the following line: “The five-hundred dollar guitar lives under his bed.”

a. Onomatopoeia b. Simile **c. Personification** d. Hyperbole