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

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| <p>1. What causes Badger to change his attitude about being bothered?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Mole describes his frightening experience and Badger realizes that he needs help. Ⓑ Rat promises that they won't touch anything and this cheers Badger up. Ⓒ Badger feels ashamed of his complaints when he sees Mole's foot. Ⓓ Badger realizes that his friends are the ones disturbing him and quickly welcomes them. <p>2. Which two words best describe Badger?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ mean and strict Ⓑ nervous and tense Ⓒ stern and generous Ⓓ spoiled and greedy | <p>3. Which word has a similar meaning to the word arduous on page 9?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ famished Ⓑ perished Ⓒ somnolence Ⓓ difficult <p>4. What do Mole and Badger have in common?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ They both like living underground. Ⓑ They are both afraid of the Wild Wood. Ⓒ Both have known Rat for their whole lives. Ⓓ They both like to be outside in winter. |
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5. What effect does setting the story in Badger's home have on the plot?

- Ⓐ As an extension of the Wild Wood it allows Rat and Mole to explore more of the forest setting.
- Ⓑ It adds to the suspense in the story by foreshadowing danger.
- Ⓒ As a refuge from the Wild Wood, it provides a resolution to Mole's earlier problem.
- Ⓓ It develops a new problem connected with Badger and his house.

6. Which of the following lines from the story expresses a character's opinion about Toad?

- Ⓐ *How's old Toad going on?*
- Ⓑ *He's been in hospital three times.*
- Ⓒ *He's not a millionaire.*
- Ⓓ *He's a hopelessly bad driver.*

7. Why does Otter think rabbits are silly and stupid?

- Ⓐ There are hundreds and hundreds of them.
- Ⓑ They are big, stout fellows.
- Ⓒ They could have helped Mole, but didn't.
- Ⓓ They taught Otter an important lesson.

8. Based on what you read, what would you reasonably expect to happen after this part of the story ends?

- Ⓐ Badger will become more active during the winter.
- Ⓑ Badger, Rat and Mole will try to make Toad change his ways.
- Ⓒ Rat and Mole will continue to live with Badger at his home.
- Ⓓ The characters will become less like people and more like real animals.

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9. What important event happens after Badger and Mole find Rat restlessly pacing in the kitchen?
 - Ⓐ Otter shows up at Badger's house.
 - Ⓑ Badger provides supper for Mole and Rat.
 - Ⓒ Badger explains what became of the city of people.
 - Ⓓ Otter, Rat, and Mole take their leave of Badger.
10. Read this sentence: *The creatures in the Wild Wood were **chivvying** Mole.* The word **chivvying** means _____.
 - Ⓐ agreeing with or approving of
 - Ⓑ pestering, annoying, or teasing
 - Ⓒ treating one in a fatherly manner
 - Ⓓ weighing heavily on or depressing
11. **Extended Response:** Write a response to the following question. How do Mole's feelings about adventures change and what does this reveal about his character? Support your answer with details from the text.
12. **Extended Response:** Write a paragraph that describes the relationship between animals and humans in this part of the story. Use details from the story to compare and contrast the civilization in the Wild Wood with the one that came before.

1. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
2. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
3. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓐ *Compare and Contrast*
5. Ⓒ *Analyze Setting*
6. Ⓓ *Fact or Opinion*
7. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
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9. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary. Sample response:
The last paragraph of the story shows that Mole still likes the idea of adventure, but only safe adventures closer to home. It says that Mole "was an animal of tilled field and . . . the cultivated garden plot" and that "pleasant places . . . held adventure enough." The last paragraph suggests that Mole will not go on adventures in scary places like the Wild Wood again. From this, I know that Mole will mix his curiosity with more consideration. I also now understand that Mole is the type of animal that learns from his experiences.
12. Answers will vary. Sample response:
The animals in this story behave very much like people: they have civilized houses, speak, wear clothing, eat supper, and more. It seems as if it is a world peopled just by animals. But then Badger explains that the Wild Wood was once "a city of people." He describes their community as one very similar to the animal community. After the people abandoned the city, nature took over, with trees and soil and streams replacing the developed city. Then the animals moved back in. It seems like the two civilizations have a lot in common, but the animals are connected with nature in a way the people are not. Badger says that people come and go, but animals are "an enduring lot."