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

1. In which of the following are the rules of the United States written?
 - Ⓐ inauguration
 - Ⓑ Democratic Party
 - Ⓒ Constitution
 - Ⓓ Republican Party
2. What is the first step in becoming a presidential candidate?
 - Ⓐ selecting a campaign manager
 - Ⓑ selecting a political party
 - Ⓒ preparing a concession speech
 - Ⓓ participating in a convention
3. Which of the following is the maximum number of years a president can stay in office?
 - Ⓐ four years
 - Ⓑ six years
 - Ⓒ eight years
 - Ⓓ twelve years
4. What do states hold to select a candidate for president?
 - Ⓐ conventions
 - Ⓑ conventions and campaigns
 - Ⓒ delegates
 - Ⓓ primaries and caucuses
5. What happens if you become your party's nominee?
 - Ⓐ You run against the other parties' candidates for president.
 - Ⓑ You make a concession speech.
 - Ⓒ You are sworn in as president of the convention.
 - Ⓓ You select a "kitchen cabinet."

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6. Which of the following sentences from the book informs readers on a topic?
 - Ⓐ If you're not a millionaire, don't worry, you're not out of the running.
 - Ⓑ Now things are really starting to get serious.
 - Ⓒ Now that you've chosen a political party, you need to hire a campaign manager.
 - Ⓓ The two major political parties are the Democrats and the Republicans.
7. Who can vote in a U.S. presidential election?
 - Ⓐ anyone over the age of 18
 - Ⓑ anyone over the age of 18 who is a U.S. citizen
 - Ⓒ anyone over the age of 18 who is a U.S. citizen and has not been convicted of a crime
 - Ⓓ anyone over the age of 21 who is a U.S. citizen and has not been convicted of a crime
8. Why did the author write *Your Road to the White House*?
 - Ⓐ to inform
 - Ⓑ to persuade
 - Ⓒ to entertain
 - Ⓓ to inform and persuade
9. What happens if a candidate wins the popular vote but not the electoral vote?
 - Ⓐ The candidate becomes president.
 - Ⓑ The candidate becomes vice president.
 - Ⓒ The candidate does not become president.
 - Ⓓ The candidate has a victory celebration.
10. As president, what is the best type of person to choose for your cabinet?
 - Ⓐ a childhood friend
 - Ⓑ someone who is an expert in his or her field
 - Ⓒ someone who gave money to get you elected
 - Ⓓ someone from the other political party

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11. Extended Response: Write a letter to the current president. Tell him what you like about him, what you think he could do better, and how you feel about him being elected.

12. Extended Response: If you were a candidate for president, how would you pay for your campaign?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Your Road to the White House

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

1. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
2. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓓ *Author's Purpose*
7. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
9. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
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11. Answers will vary.
12. Answers will vary, but should include the following:
presidential candidates don't usually use their own money, but use contributions from supporters to pay for campaigns.