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

1. How are boats today different from the first boats?
  - (A) They are smaller and hold fewer people.
  - (B) There aren't many of them.
  - (C) They may be made of metal or plastic.
  - (D) They travel in lakes, rivers, and oceans.
2. The author probably wrote this book to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) explain the different kinds of and uses for boats
  - (B) tell how to build a wooden boat
  - (C) show where you can travel in a boat
  - (D) describe how to buy a good boat
3. Galleys were not used for \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) fighting enemies
  - (B) hunting seals
  - (C) carrying goods
  - (D) protecting empires
4. Why would sailors on some galleys be pleased to go in the same direction as the wind?
  - (A) They wouldn't have to row.
  - (B) They could fight more battles.
  - (C) Their boat could carry more goods.
  - (D) They could have more sails.
5. Why did Vikings have an advantage over their enemies?
  - (A) They were from Scandinavia.
  - (B) Their ships had wooden frames.
  - (C) They could surprise their enemies.
  - (D) They used longships.
6. How are steamships different from sailing ships?
  - (A) They have large masts.
  - (B) They can move directly into the wind.
  - (C) They only travel shorter distances.
  - (D) All of the above

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7. What was the section titled "Special Ships and Boats" mostly about?
  - Ⓐ Some ships and boats are built to do special work.
  - Ⓑ Ships and boats have changed over the years.
  - Ⓒ Modern ships and boats are made out of better materials.
  - Ⓓ People use ships and boats for fun.
8. How are some of today's boats like boats from long ago?
  - Ⓐ They carry people.
  - Ⓑ They carry goods.
  - Ⓒ They help protect countries.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
9. The sailboat was on a **course** into the wind. What is a **course**?
  - Ⓐ a tall pole that supports the sails
  - Ⓑ a direction or path
  - Ⓒ a front end of a ship
  - Ⓓ a short distance moved over water
10. What are **explorers**?
  - Ⓐ people who sail boats
  - Ⓑ people who go to new places
  - Ⓒ people who are in the navy
  - Ⓓ people who build ships and boats
11. **Extended Response:** Why are ships and boats important today?
12. **Extended Response:** Explain two ways that steam helped people as related to boats in this book.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Ships and Boats

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓒ *Compare and Contrast*
2. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
3. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
7. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
9. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary but should include a reason such as: *They carry people, help defend coasts, carry goods that people need from far away places, etc.*
12. Answers should state: *Steam helped bend the frames for boats and to power boats.*