Quick Check Bears

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

- 1. Why do some kinds of bears hibernate and others do not?
 - A Bears that hibernate do so to survive the winter when food is scarce.
 - B Some bears can't eat enough when it is warm to survive all winter.
 - © Some bears don't need to because they can get food all year.
 - (D) All of the above
- **2.** What does it mean when something is **diverse**?
 - A It is made up of many different things.
 - B It is fond of a particular diet.
 - ① It is common to all continents.
 - (D) All of the above
- 3. What kind of bear is the largest?
 - (A) grizzly bear
 - (B) sun bear
 - (C) polar bear
 - ① giant panda

- **4.** How did spectacled bears get their name?
 - (A) The light marks on their faces make it look as if they are wearing glasses or spectacles.
 - B They are native to South America and are different from grizzlies.
 - They have really good eyesight.
 - (D) All of the above
- **5.** How are brown bears different from Asiatic black bears?
 - (A) They eat plants and not meat.
 - B Brown bears are a smaller group of bears.
 - ① They live in a broader range of places.
 - D Brown bears have unusually large ears.

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- **6.** Read this sentence: Five kinds of bears are endangered. What does endangered mean?
 - (A) in a larger group of bears than others
 - **B** in danger from other animals
 - (C) in danger of dying out
 - (D) in hibernation
- 7. What would be the best way to keep the giant panda from dying out?
 - A Put all the giant pandas in a zoo.
 - B Grow more bamboo to feed giant pandas.
 - © Move giant pandas to other parts of the world other than China.
 - D Educate people to stop them from destroying the bamboo forests where pandas live.

- **8.** Read this sentence: *Black bears* are true **omnivores**. What are **omnivores**?
 - (A) animals that can swim really well
 - (B) animals that appear to be black or brown
 - (C) animals that eat only meat
 - animals that eat plants and animals
- **9.** Which bear is the smallest member of the bear family?
 - (A) sun bear
 - (B) black bear
 - (C) brown bear
 - (D) spectacled bear
- **10.** Which sentence describes what it is like to be a bear cub?
 - (A) Bear cubs are born blind, very small, and helpless.
 - B Bear cubs stay in the den for months after birth.
 - © Bear cubs stay with their mother for up to three years.
 - (D) All of the above



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11. Extended Response: Do you think we should protect bear habitats by stopping people from building homes and businesses where bears live? Why or why not? Use details from the text to support your answer.

12. Extended Response: Choose two bears that you read about in this book. Compare the bears by explaining two ways they are alike and two ways they are different.

LEVEL S

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Quick Check Answer Sheet

Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

- **1.** ① Compare and Contrast
- **2.** A Vocabulary
- 3. © Compare and Contrast
- **4.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **5. (**C) Compare and Contrast
- **6.** ① Vocabulary
- 7. (D) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **8.** ① Vocabulary
- **9.** A Compare and Contrast
- **10.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- 11. Answers will vary but should include a yes or no response with some of the following supporting details: building homes and businesses will ruin the bears' habitats and deplete (get rid of) their food supply; the bears could die off and become extinct.
- **12.** Answers will vary but should include details from the book.