Quick Check

Expedition 60: The Subarctic

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

- 1. What is the main difference between 60 degrees latitude north and 60 degrees latitude south?
 - A It is colder at 60 degrees south.
 - (B) There are more forests at 60 degrees south.
 - There is no land at 60 degrees south.
 - More people live at 60 degrees south.
- 2. The author wrote this book to _____.
 - (A) let readers know about Anchorage, Alaska
 - B entertain readers with things to see in Helsinki, Finland
 - © inform readers about cities in the subarctic region of the world
 - D persuade readers to visitOslo, Norway

- **3.** What word means distance in degrees north or south of the equator?
 - (A) continent
 - **B** equator
 - (C) latitude
 - ① hemisphere
- **4.** The subarctic is home to _____.
 - (A) bears
 - (B) wolves
 - © moose
 - (D) all of the above
- **5.** What is a **hemisphere**?
 - A a ball used in summer solstice games
 - (B) half of the Earth, divided north and south by the equator or east and west through the poles
 - © a small body of water that cuts between two pieces of land
 - the tilt of the Earth, which causes the seasons on our planet

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- **6.** In what way are all the cities in this book alike?
 - A They are all located next to large bodies of water.
 - (B) They all have canals.
 - ① They all are in North America.
 - ① They all have lots of snow in summer.
- Peter the Great solved the problem of swampy land in St. Petersburg by ______.
 - A building canals and filling swamps with soil
 - B building bridges over the swamps
 - © building a high sea wall around the city
 - (I) moving the city inland

- 8. What effect does the North Atlantic Drift have on Oslo, Norway?
 - (A) It puts the city at risk for tsunamis and hurricanes.
 - B Its warm current keeps temperatures fairly mild.
 - (C) It brings moisture to the city, so it rains a lot.
 - ① It keeps fish coming to the area.
- 9. The main idea of the section titled "The Same Trip in Winter" is _____.
 - (A) the winter solstice is also celebrated in these cities
 - B it is cold and dark in these cities during winter
 - (1) the sun doesn't rise in these cities on the winter solstice
 - (D) none of the above



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- **10.** At 6:00 p.m. on December 21, Helsinki would most likely be _____.
 - (A) dark and warm
 - (B) dark and cold
 - © bright and windy
 - ① sunny and cold
- 11. Extended Response: What are some ways you think people in the subarctic adjust to summer days with short nights?
- 12. Extended Response: Would you rather visit the subarctic region during summer or winter? Use details from the text to support your answer.



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Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Compare and Contrast

- **1.** ① Compare and Contrast
- 2. (C) Author's Purpose
- **3.** ① Vocabulary
- **4.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- **5. (B)** Vocabulary
- **6.** (A) Compare and Contrast
- **7.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **8.** (B) Cause and Effect
- **9.** (B) Main Idea and Details
- **10.** (B) Make Inferences / Draw conclusions
- 11. Answers will vary but should include ideas such as people get used to it being light out at night and find ways to make their houses dark so they can sleep.
- **12.** Answers will vary but should include valid supporting reasons.