

Quick Check

The State Hermitage: Russia's Amazing Museum

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. The State Hermitage Museum is great because _____.
 - (A) it contains more than three million works of art
 - (B) it has a rich history
 - (C) many disasters have not destroyed it
 - (D) all of the above
2. Read the following example sentence: *Art at the Hermitage was in danger during the **revolution**.* A **revolution** is _____.
 - (A) the forceful removal of a government
 - (B) a decision to do something
 - (C) one trip around the Earth
 - (D) severe weather
3. The Hermitage is as fascinating to Pavel as the artwork inside it because _____.
 - (A) it is in Russia
 - (B) the buildings are beautiful
 - (C) there are seven buildings
 - (D) Catherine the Great lived there
4. The Hermitage's art collection was begun by _____.
 - (A) Pavel
 - (B) Peter I
 - (C) Nicholas I
 - (D) Catherine the Great
5. Why were cats necessary for the museum to have?
 - (A) Many artworks liked the cats.
 - (B) Catherine feared being alone.
 - (C) Mice invaded the museum.
 - (D) Russians worshipped cats.
6. The Hermitage collection includes not only paintings, but also _____ as well.
 - (A) furniture
 - (B) jewels
 - (C) statues
 - (D) all of the above

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7. What is the most likely reason Catherine refused to allow others to see her art collection?
 - Ⓐ She knew everyone was a thief.
 - Ⓑ The Russian people didn't appreciate beauty.
 - Ⓒ Catherine wanted to keep her art for herself.
 - Ⓓ Catherine's housekeepers refused to clean up after muddy guests.
8. What do da Vinci, Matisse, Picasso, and Gauguin have in common?
 - Ⓐ All were Russian emperors.
 - Ⓑ All were leaders of the Russian revolution.
 - Ⓒ None were real people.
 - Ⓓ All four were famous artists.
9. How were museum pieces protected during the siege of Leningrad?
 - Ⓐ Artwork was moved to safe places within Russia.
 - Ⓑ Bubble wrap was placed around all statues.
 - Ⓒ Sculptures were buried under trains.
 - Ⓓ No bombing of the Hermitage was allowed.
10. The main idea of this book is _____.
 - Ⓐ to show how rich Russian emperors lived
 - Ⓑ to inform us about the rich history of the Hermitage
 - Ⓒ to tell a story about Pavel's family
 - Ⓓ to discuss dangers to museums
11. **Extended Response:** How would you describe your typical day if you are Pavel the mouse?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

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1. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
3. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
8. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
9. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers will vary but should include details about the Hermitage and be written from a mouse's point of view.