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

1. *Awesome Ants* is mostly about _____.
 - Ⓐ how a queen ant runs the colony
 - Ⓑ how ants build a colony
 - Ⓒ the amazing lives of ants
 - Ⓓ how to make an ant farm
2. **Antennae** help an ant to _____.
 - Ⓐ climb things
 - Ⓑ lift things
 - Ⓒ smell things
 - Ⓓ dig up things
3. Which detail is most important to the section "Let's Talk"?
 - Ⓐ Ants communicate with touch, sound, and smell.
 - Ⓑ Ants can lift more than twenty times their weight.
 - Ⓒ Ants have six legs and three body parts.
 - Ⓓ Worker ants find food and protect the nest.
4. In the author's opinion, _____.
 - Ⓐ ants are dangerous, and you should stay away from them
 - Ⓑ everyone should have an ant farm
 - Ⓒ ants are amazing and interesting insects
 - Ⓓ ants are fragile and need protection
5. What happens when an ant finds food?
 - Ⓐ It stands next to the food and waits for the other ants.
 - Ⓑ It lays down a trail of chemicals for the other ants to follow.
 - Ⓒ It makes a loud noise and does a dance.
 - Ⓓ It gets the queen to carry back the food.

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6. Which sentence from the book could be thought of as an opinion?
 - Ⓐ Ant colonies are filled with activity.
 - Ⓑ All the ants in the colony are related.
 - Ⓒ Some queens can lay thousands of eggs every day.
 - Ⓓ You'll understand just how awesome they are.
7. Which of the following is not true of soldier ants or worker ants?
 - Ⓐ They find food for other ants.
 - Ⓑ They protect the nest.
 - Ⓒ They are usually seen above ground.
 - Ⓓ They take care of the young.
8. The main way ants communicate is by _____.
 - Ⓐ talking
 - Ⓑ smell
 - Ⓒ sound
 - Ⓓ touch
9. If two living things are **related**, they are _____.
 - Ⓐ in the same family
 - Ⓑ meeting for the first time
 - Ⓒ enemies
 - Ⓓ interested in the same things
10. How do some ants solve the problem of crossing over a body of water?
 - Ⓐ They go underwater and swim across.
 - Ⓑ They cannot cross the water.
 - Ⓒ They build bridges with their bodies or float across.
 - Ⓓ They run and jump across.
11. **Extended Response:** After reading *Awesome Ants*, do you think ants are awesome? Use examples from the book to explain why or why not.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Awesome Ants

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
3. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓒ *Author's Purpose*
5. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
6. Ⓓ *Fact or Opinion*
7. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers will vary but should include specific examples from the text.