

Quick Check

The *Mona Lisa* Mystery

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. What happened to the *Mona Lisa* in 1911?
 - Ⓐ It was bought.
 - Ⓑ It was stolen.
 - Ⓒ It was moved to a new museum.
 - Ⓓ It was painted over with a new picture.
2. Who do people think posed for the *Mona Lisa* painting?
 - Ⓐ Leonardo da Vinci
 - Ⓑ a merchant in Florence, Italy
 - Ⓒ a woman who lived in Paris, France
 - Ⓓ a woman Leonardo knew from Florence, Italy
3. Why didn't the thumbprint on the frame of the *Mona Lisa* help police?
 - Ⓐ It wasn't big enough.
 - Ⓑ It was too blurry.
 - Ⓒ It was from a left thumb.
 - Ⓓ It matched Leonardo da Vinci's thumb.
4. Why could the *Mona Lisa* not have been rolled up?
 - Ⓐ It was too large.
 - Ⓑ The frame was too big.
 - Ⓒ It would have fallen apart.
 - Ⓓ It was painted on a piece of wood.
5. Why would the police have closed all the border crossings in and out of France in 1911?
 - Ⓐ to keep villains out of France
 - Ⓑ to make sure the *Mona Lisa* did not leave France
 - Ⓒ to bring in a new painting to replace the *Mona Lisa*
 - Ⓓ to check fingerprints of all the people who wanted to come into France
6. If something has **vanished**, it _____.
 - Ⓐ was painted
 - Ⓑ disappeared
 - Ⓒ fell apart
 - Ⓓ was found

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7. Why did the experts X-ray the *Mona Lisa*?
 - Ⓐ to see the words behind it
 - Ⓑ to make sure it was real
 - Ⓒ to find out who stole it
 - Ⓓ all of the above
8. Why is the *Mona Lisa* so famous?
 - Ⓐ It was painted so expertly.
 - Ⓑ It was of a famous woman.
 - Ⓒ It was painted in Florence, Italy.
 - Ⓓ No one knows who posed for it.
9. What is a **forgery**?
 - Ⓐ a way to protect something
 - Ⓑ something that is found
 - Ⓒ something fake
 - Ⓓ a surprise
10. Which word would likely have described how the antiques store dealer felt after Vincenzo told him what he had done?
 - Ⓐ surprised
 - Ⓑ excited
 - Ⓒ suspicious
 - Ⓓ all of the above
11. **Extended Response:** Why did Vincenzo want the *Mona Lisa* in Italy and not in France?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

1. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
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3. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
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5. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
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10. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
11. Answers should include the idea:
Vincenzo wanted the Mona Lisa in Italy because that's where Leonardo da Vinci painted it.
(Any answer that mentions aspects of cultural heritage or cultural history is acceptable.)