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

1. What makes this book an informational nonfiction book?
  - Ⓐ It is a factual book that gives information about real events.
  - Ⓑ It is a story about one real person.
  - Ⓒ It is written from the imagination of the writer.
  - Ⓓ It has rhyme and rhythm.
2. When swimmer Wu Yanyan was caught using steroids, she \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ had to return her medals
  - Ⓑ was fined and dismissed from the team
  - Ⓒ was suspended from competition for four years
  - Ⓓ all of the above
3. Bad breath, acne, and swelling are all examples of \_\_\_\_\_ of using steroids.
  - Ⓐ hormones
  - Ⓑ tests
  - Ⓒ side effects
  - Ⓓ illness
4. According to the chart on page 9, which professional sport has the strictest penalty for steroid use?
  - Ⓐ MLB
  - Ⓑ NBA
  - Ⓒ NFL
  - Ⓓ They are all the same.
5. What happened after John Ziegler developed synthetic steroids and wrote about it in bodybuilding magazines?
  - Ⓐ Russian weightlifters wanted them.
  - Ⓑ Athletes and others began using them.
  - Ⓒ Several people died from their use.
  - Ⓓ Other doctors said they didn't work.

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6. What is Lance Armstrong famous for?
  - Ⓐ winning the Tour de France seven times
  - Ⓑ winning his fight against cancer
  - Ⓒ getting caught using steroids and stripped of his honors
  - Ⓓ all of the above
7. Because of steroid use, Mark McGwire, Sammy Sosa, and Barry Bonds \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ cannot coach baseball
  - Ⓑ are not allowed to compete in the Olympics
  - Ⓒ were not inducted in to the Baseball Hall of Fame
  - Ⓓ can never cycle in the Tour de France
8. The attitude the author has about steroid use can best be described as \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ negative
  - Ⓑ positive
  - Ⓒ confused
  - Ⓓ hopeful
9. In the 1950s John Ziegler created a **synthetic** steroid. What could be another word for **synthetic**?
  - Ⓐ biological
  - Ⓑ artificial
  - Ⓒ competitive
  - Ⓓ terrible
10. What do you think the author's purpose was for writing this book?
  - Ⓐ to explain the Tour de France and Lance Armstrong's victories
  - Ⓑ to persuade readers to stay away from steroid drugs
  - Ⓒ to inform readers about the effects of steroid use
  - Ⓓ both B and C
11. **Extended Response:** Do you think stripping an athlete of his or her medals and honors is an appropriate consequence for steroid use? Why or why not?
12. **Extended Response:** In what ways could illegal steroid use affect a person's life? Explain your answer.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Spoiled Sports: The Dangers of Steroids

Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

1. Ⓐ Identify Genre
2. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
3. Ⓒ Vocabulary
4. Ⓐ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
5. Ⓑ Sequence Events
6. Ⓓ Main Idea and Details
7. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
8. Ⓐ Author's Point of View
9. Ⓑ Vocabulary
10. Ⓓ Author's Purpose
11. Answers will vary but should include any conclusions drawn from the book, personal opinions, and background knowledge.
12. Answers will vary but should draw upon any conclusions drawn from the book's information, such as *steroids can ruin a person's reputation as an athlete, damage a person's body and mind, and so on.*