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

1. What is the author's point of view on the Nobel Prize?
 - Ⓐ The Nobel Prize is so important that there is no need for any other kind of award to give to people for their work and ideas.
 - Ⓑ The Nobel Prize is like too many other important awards, and it shouldn't be given out anymore.
 - Ⓒ The Nobel Prize is the most famous honor in the world and has had a positive influence on the world.
 - Ⓓ The Nobel Prize is too easy to win, and the rules should be made more difficult.
2. What is the main idea of the section "Nobel Controversies"?
 - Ⓐ Even though people were angry when Yasser Arafat was given the Nobel Prize, the award was not taken away.
 - Ⓑ Many people were upset when certain people were given the Nobel Prize at different times in history.
 - Ⓒ President Obama did not deserve to win the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓓ The Nobel Prize was taken away from Henry Kissinger after it was found out that he planned attacks during a war.
3. Which word means *a group of people who make important decisions*?
 - Ⓐ engineer
 - Ⓑ physicists
 - Ⓒ prizewinners
 - Ⓓ committee

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4. Which of the following is an opinion?
 - Ⓐ Everyone should work toward winning the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓑ The cash prize given to winners of the Nobel Prize helps them continue their work.
 - Ⓒ A big fancy party is thrown for all of the winners of the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓓ The amount of money given to winners depends on whether it is given to one individual or shared among a group of people.
5. Who is Malala Yousafzai?
 - Ⓐ a winner of the prize for literature
 - Ⓑ a winner of the prize for peace
 - Ⓒ a winner of the prize for economics
 - Ⓓ a winner of the prize for science
6. What is the effect of Alfred Nobel inventing dynamite?
 - Ⓐ He helped Russia in the war.
 - Ⓑ He was accepted to a good college.
 - Ⓒ He was the first person to win the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓓ He became rich and famous.
7. In what year was the first Nobel Prize awarded?
 - Ⓐ 2015
 - Ⓑ 1901
 - Ⓒ 1968
 - Ⓓ 1896
8. How do you think the author feels about Nobel prizewinners?
 - Ⓐ He thinks it is too easy for them to win the award.
 - Ⓑ He thinks they make too much money when they win the award.
 - Ⓒ He thinks they are some of the smartest people in the world.
 - Ⓓ He thinks they are just like everyone else, but they got lucky.

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9. What was the effect of Albert Einstein winning the Nobel Prize?

- Ⓐ He was able to pay for his kids to go to school.
- Ⓑ He was able to continue his work.
- Ⓒ He was able to retire.
- Ⓓ He was able to buy a new car.

10. A document that shows a special honor is called _____.

- Ⓐ an engineer
- Ⓑ a diploma
- Ⓒ a scholar
- Ⓓ a test

11. **Extended Response:** What makes Marie Curie different from other Nobel prizewinners?

12. **Extended Response:** Who was Nelson Mandela, and why did he win the Nobel Peace Prize?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

The Nobel Prize

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Point of View

1. Ⓒ *Author's Point of View*
2. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓐ *Fact or Opinion*
5. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
7. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓒ *Author's Point of View*
9. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary but should include the following ideas: *Marie Curie was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize. She is also one of only two people ever to win the award in more than one area. Marie Curie and her daughter were the only mother-daughter pair to ever win the prize.*
12. Answers should include the following: *Nelson Mandela worked to improve the lives of suffering people by fighting against South Africa's unfair political system.*