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

1. How does Tom end up on the beach alone on a weekday?
 - Ⓐ He ditches school.
 - Ⓑ He gets kicked out of school.
 - Ⓒ He is sick and can't go to school.
 - Ⓓ He tells his parents that school is closed.
2. According to the Turtle Lady, the turtles that survive will be the _____.
 - Ⓐ weakest
 - Ⓑ prettiest
 - Ⓒ strongest
 - Ⓓ slowest
3. What is the first sign that the turtles are hatching?
 - Ⓐ Crabs scuttle across the sand.
 - Ⓑ The mother turtles return.
 - Ⓒ Seagulls swoop down.
 - Ⓓ The sand gets warm.
4. Why does Tom like the Turtle Lady?
 - Ⓐ She listens to him.
 - Ⓑ She likes his name.
 - Ⓒ She doesn't arrest him.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
5. What is a **violin**?
 - Ⓐ someone who breaks the law
 - Ⓑ people who save turtles
 - Ⓒ someone who kills turtles
 - Ⓓ people who help others
6. What is the main conflict or problem in this story?
 - Ⓐ Tom gets kicked out of school.
 - Ⓑ Tom almost gets arrested.
 - Ⓒ Tom gets teased about his name.
 - Ⓓ Tom doesn't know what to do with the eggs.

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7. Why isn't Tom insulted when the Turtle Lady calls him Turtle Tom?
 - Ⓐ He likes her to tease him.
 - Ⓑ He feels special when she calls him that.
 - Ⓒ He wants everyone to call him that.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
8. Read this sentence: *The principal says that Tom was **provoked**.* What does **provoked** mean?
 - Ⓐ to be made angry
 - Ⓑ to be innocent
 - Ⓒ to be first to fight
 - Ⓓ to be saved
9. What does the Turtle Lady mean when she said, "Don't you go getting smart on me?"
 - Ⓐ Tom knows too many answers.
 - Ⓑ She thinks Tom is lying to her.
 - Ⓒ Tom knows about the turtles.
 - Ⓓ Tom needs a lesson in turtles.
10. Why doesn't the Turtle Lady want Tom to kill the crabs?
 - Ⓐ The crabs that kill the turtles are part of the way nature works.
 - Ⓑ The turtles will be faster than the crabs so they won't get hurt.
 - Ⓒ The crabs will hurt Tom if he tried to hit them.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
11. **Extended Response:** How do you think Tom was different when he went back to school?
12. **Extended Response:** The Turtle Lady helps Tom in a few different ways. Explain at least two.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Turtle Tom

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
2. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
3. Ⓐ Sequence Events
4. Ⓓ Analyze Character
5. Ⓐ Vocabulary
6. Ⓒ Problem and Solution
7. Ⓑ Analyze Character
8. Ⓐ Vocabulary
9. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
10. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
11. Answers will vary but would likely include the following: *he wouldn't be bothered by kids who make fun of his name, because he's now proud of it and happy to know how special turtles are.*
12. Answers will vary but would likely include the following: *she helped him be proud of his name; he knew and appreciated sea turtles; she motivated him to study marine animals and become a marine biologist.*