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

1. What conclusion can be made about Marshall winning his case against separate schools?
 - Ⓐ The Supreme Court decided that separate schools were fair.
 - Ⓑ The decision helped Marshall argue to be on the Supreme Court.
 - Ⓒ The Supreme Court believed that separate schools were unfair.
 - Ⓓ The change in laws helped separate neighborhoods.
2. Which of the following events event happened after Thurgood Marshall won his case against separate schools?
 - Ⓐ Marshall was chosen to be a justice on the Supreme Court.
 - Ⓑ States passed laws that were hurtful to black people.
 - Ⓒ Marshall worked on a case about unfair neighborhoods.
 - Ⓓ His family argued over what to do about the unfair laws.
3. Which of the following is a detail that best supports the main idea that Thurgood Marshall made his country a better place?
 - Ⓐ Thurgood Marshall was good at arguing.
 - Ⓑ Thurgood Marshall became a lawyer.
 - Ⓒ Thurgood Marshall always argued to make things fair.
 - Ⓓ It was against the law to own slaves when Thurgood Marshall was born.
4. What does the word **separate** mean?
 - Ⓐ served
 - Ⓑ kept together
 - Ⓒ judged
 - Ⓓ kept apart

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5. Which of the following helps readers conclude that Thurgood Marshall was a good lawyer?
 - Ⓐ Thurgood Marshall went to law school.
 - Ⓑ Thurgood Marshall took on a case about neighborhoods.
 - Ⓒ Thurgood Marshall liked to argue.
 - Ⓓ Thurgood Marshall won most of his cases.
6. How were the laws unfair when Thurgood was a child?
 - Ⓐ Black people were not allowed to do the same activities as white people.
 - Ⓑ The laws forced black people to be slaves to white people.
 - Ⓒ White people were not allowed to do the same activities as black people.
 - Ⓓ Black children were not allowed to go to school.
7. What is the main idea of the sidebar on the Supreme Court?
 - Ⓐ The Supreme Court is the highest court in the United States.
 - Ⓑ The Supreme Court started to change when Marshall joined it.
 - Ⓒ The Supreme Court works only on cases dealing with civil rights.
 - Ⓓ The Supreme Court has nine justices that serve for life.
8. What was the author's purpose for writing this book?
 - Ⓐ to entertain readers with stories about Thurgood Marshall
 - Ⓑ to inform readers about Thurgood Marshall's life and work
 - Ⓒ to persuade readers to become lawyers like Thurgood Marshall
 - Ⓓ to inform readers about the job of the Supreme Court

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9. Read the following sentence from the book: *The **South** had many laws that hurt black people.* On the basis of the text, what does the word **South** mean?

- Ⓐ the direction to the right facing the rising sun
- Ⓑ the compass point opposite of north
- Ⓒ the southeastern part of the United States
- Ⓓ the home town of Thurgood Marshall

10. Which of the following sentences from the book expresses an opinion?

- Ⓐ Thurgood Marshall argued his most important case of all.
- Ⓑ In 2013, one African American man and three women served on the court.
- Ⓒ In 1967, he was chosen to be a justice on the Supreme Court.
- Ⓓ In the Supreme Court, the judges are called *justices*.

11. **Extended Response:** Explain how the unfair laws described in the introduction of the book had an effect on Thurgood Marshall's life. Why did the author connect this introduction to a paragraph on Marshall's childhood?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Good for Thurgood!

Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

1. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
2. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
9. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓐ *Fact or Opinion*
11. Answers will vary but should make a reasonable cause-and-effect relationship between the circumstances of the time and Marshall's childhood. Also, students should indicate that the author began the book in this way because Marshall's childhood was influenced by what was happening in his country at the time.