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

1. How do scientists think the large stone statues got placed around Easter Island?
 - Ⓐ The people used tree trunks as rollers.
 - Ⓑ The people brought them on huge boats from another island.
 - Ⓒ The stones were already placed by nature.
 - Ⓓ The people used crane systems suspended from trees.
2. What makes this book a nonfiction informational book?
 - Ⓐ It has factual information about the world.
 - Ⓑ It is written from the writer's imagination.
 - Ⓒ It has rhythm and rhyme.
 - Ⓓ It is a story about a real person's life.
3. A word for *too many people or other living things in an area* is _____.
 - Ⓐ birthrate
 - Ⓑ resources
 - Ⓒ overpopulation
 - Ⓓ technology
4. According to the author, what can be the result of a population exceeding its carrying capacity?
 - Ⓐ more food production
 - Ⓑ healthier children
 - Ⓒ forest preservation
 - Ⓓ starvation
5. What problem did new farming technology bring?
 - Ⓐ There were not enough people to harvest all the crops.
 - Ⓑ Chemicals used to grow food polluted food and water.
 - Ⓒ Farmers ran out of land to plant crops.
 - Ⓓ Crops were growing in the desert.

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6. Which detail supports the idea that Americans are the world's biggest consumers?
 - Ⓐ They use half the food needed to survive.
 - Ⓑ They use 150 times the food needed to survive.
 - Ⓒ They use 20 percent of the world's oil.
 - Ⓓ They use 250 times the fresh water needed to survive.
7. In 1798, _____ wrote about overpopulation.
 - Ⓐ Thomas Malthus
 - Ⓑ Rapanui
 - Ⓒ Rachel Carson
 - Ⓓ Jared Diamond
8. Which word means *sharing or delivering goods and services*?
 - Ⓐ technology
 - Ⓑ distribution
 - Ⓒ resources
 - Ⓓ population
9. The author wrote this book to _____.
 - Ⓐ entertain
 - Ⓑ inform and entertain
 - Ⓒ persuade
 - Ⓓ inform and persuade
10. Everyone in the world could have enough to eat if _____.
 - Ⓐ people had more babies
 - Ⓑ people in rich countries wasted less
 - Ⓒ people in poor countries raised more livestock
 - Ⓓ people in rich countries ate more meat
11. **Extended Response:** How do you think Earth's resources (such as water and oil) could be shared equally among countries?
12. **Extended Response:** What have you learned from the story of the Rapanui people of Easter Island? Explain.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Seven Billion and Counting*Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect*

1. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Identify Genre*
3. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓓ *Author's Purpose*
10. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary but should include any conclusions drawn from the information in the book. For example, Earth's resources could be evenly distributed among countries if limits could be set for water or oil use.
12. Answers will vary but should include information from the book, such as that people should use resources wisely, take care of ecosystems, and so on.