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

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| <p>1. What is the author's purpose for writing this book?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ to persuade the reader to like prairie dogs Ⓑ to inform the reader about different things animals build Ⓒ to entertain the reader with stories about pets Ⓓ to persuade the reader to start an ant farm <p>2. How are prairie dogs and leafcutter ants similar?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ They both are insects. Ⓑ They both build their homes in trees. Ⓒ They both build their homes underground. Ⓓ They both have family groups that stay together in neighborhoods. | <p>3. Why did the author include a glossary?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ to help the reader define words that are in the book Ⓑ to help the reader better understand the photographs in the book Ⓒ to list the names of the sections in the book Ⓓ to help the reader identify key topics in the book. <p>4. What is the effect of crayfish digging into wet dirt?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ The dirt gets spread around on the ground. Ⓑ The dirt gets piled up and looks like a hill. Ⓒ The dirt gets pushed up and looks like a chimney. Ⓓ The crayfish eat the dirt as they dig into it. |
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5. Read this sentence: *The ponds protect beavers from **predators**.*
What are **predators**?
 - Ⓐ those who make or construct something from new parts
 - Ⓑ animals that are hunted and eaten by another animal
 - Ⓒ animals that eat leaves to survive
 - Ⓓ animals that hunt and eat other animals to survive
6. Which of the following statements is a fact about termites?
 - Ⓐ Termites are really interesting insects.
 - Ⓑ The queen termite can produce thousands of eggs per day.
 - Ⓒ Termites are better insects than ants.
 - Ⓓ Termites make the best class pets.
7. Which of the following happens first?
 - Ⓐ Trapdoor spiders open the door, and their food falls through.
 - Ⓑ Trapdoor spiders cover their trapdoors with silk and dirt.
 - Ⓒ Trapdoor spiders eat the food they caught.
 - Ⓓ Trapdoor spiders dig an underground tunnel and make a trapdoor on top.
8. What does the author think about animal builders?
 - Ⓐ The author thinks animal builders are amazing.
 - Ⓑ The author thinks animal builders need to improve their skills.
 - Ⓒ The author thinks animal builders could learn better skills from humans.
 - Ⓓ The author is not interested in animal builders.

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9. What is **prey**?

- Ⓐ a home for a wild animal
- Ⓑ an animal that hunts food
- Ⓒ an animal that is hunted and eaten by another animal
- Ⓓ the way an animal gets in and out of its home

10. What is one way termites and paper wasps are similar when building?

- Ⓐ They both dig into the sand to build their homes.
- Ⓑ They both chew wood to build their homes.
- Ⓒ They both build their homes in ponds.
- Ⓓ They both build tall mounds.

11. **Extended Response:** How would this book be different if there were no captions?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

What Built This?

Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

1. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
2. Ⓒ *Compare and Contrast*
3. Ⓐ *Text Structure*
4. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓑ *Fact or Opinion*
7. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓐ *Author's Point of View*
9. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
11. Answers will vary but should include that if this book didn't have captions, the reader wouldn't understand what the photographs were showing since captions clarify the illustrations and photographs in the text.