

Quick Check

Miguel in the Secret Garden

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. How did Miguel's attitude about working in the garden change from the beginning to the end of this story?
 - Ⓐ At first he was excited about it, but at the end he was discouraged.
 - Ⓑ At the beginning he was unmotivated to work, but at the end he was eager to help.
 - Ⓒ When the story opened, he was happy about the garden, but at the end he was confused.
 - Ⓓ He first felt like no one appreciated him, but in the end he learned his family understood his talent.
2. When something **swivels**, it _____.
 - Ⓐ rises up
 - Ⓑ turns in a circle
 - Ⓒ gets covered up
 - Ⓓ becomes tangled
3. What happened to Miguel after he picked up the book, *The Secret Garden*?
 - Ⓐ The lid to the chest closed and locked.
 - Ⓑ Miguel tried to pick a different book.
 - Ⓒ Miguel tried to read the book, but the words jumbled on the page.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
4. Miguel regretted climbing into the loft at the beginning of the story because _____.
 - Ⓐ he was afraid he would be in danger again
 - Ⓑ he was afraid of heights and didn't like flying
 - Ⓒ he didn't think the adventure would be very exciting
 - Ⓓ all of the above

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5. What is Miguel's father probably thinking at the end of the story?
 - Ⓐ He is determined that Miguel will finish his chores.
 - Ⓑ He would rather have Miguel go help his mother and sister in the shop.
 - Ⓒ He is angry with Miguel for leaving him alone to do the work in the garden.
 - Ⓓ He is not only puzzled but also pleased that Miguel is now willing to help in the garden.
6. What was unusual about this adventure for Miguel?
 - Ⓐ He had become a character in a book.
 - Ⓑ He had turned into an animal in a book.
 - Ⓒ He was able to return to the loft whenever he chose.
 - Ⓓ He could not figure out which story he had been put into.
7. Why was Miguel excited when Dickon started talking to him?
 - Ⓐ Dickon could understand animals when they talked.
 - Ⓑ Dickon could save him from the fox that was chasing him.
 - Ⓒ Miguel could help Dickon find Mary and the magical tree.
 - Ⓓ Dickon knew about the secret garden and would tell Mary.
8. What happened to Miguel just before he awoke in a cloth-filled box?
 - Ⓐ He hid in Dickon's pocket
 - Ⓑ He took Colin to the garden.
 - Ⓒ Dickon finally understood his language.
 - Ⓓ He was knocked to the ground by the fox.
9. Why did Miguel go to the loft?
 - Ⓐ to get away from his mother
 - Ⓑ to find adventure and danger
 - Ⓒ to find a quiet place where he could nap
 - Ⓓ all of the above

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10. What does **indecipherable** mean?

- Ⓐ to be easily read
- Ⓑ to lift high into the air
- Ⓒ to not be able to be understood
- Ⓓ to be dangerous and frightening

11. **Extended Response:** Why was Miguel thanking his dad at the end of the story?

12. **Extended Response:** How does the beginning of the story introduce the characters and setting?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓑ Analyze Character
2. Ⓑ Vocabulary
3. Ⓓ Sequence Events
4. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
5. Ⓓ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
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7. Ⓐ Analyze Character
8. Ⓓ Sequence Events
9. Ⓑ Story Elements
10. Ⓒ Vocabulary
11. Answers should include the following: *Miguel was thanking his dad for giving him the chance to own and work in a beautiful garden that could bring him peace.*
12. Answers should include the following: *the beginning identifies the family and the family garden; Dad encourages Miguel to be involved in the garden and says that it can be magic; Miguel is only interested in adventure and danger; being in the loft with Grandfather's magical books sets up the setting for an adventure.*