

Quick Check The Red Baron

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

- 1. Which significant event occurred first in Manfred von Richthofen's life?
  - A He was struck in the heart by a single bullet on April 20, 1918, and after landing his plane, he died.
  - B He earned nicknames such as the "Red Battle Flyer" and the "Red Knight."
  - © He was sent to the Eastern Front to fight the Russian Army at the beginning of the war.
  - D He led his pilots to shoot down 89 planes of Britain's Royal Fighting Corps.

- 2. What is the main idea of the section "A New Kind of War"?
  - A Combat pilots in World War I were pioneers of a new way of fighting wars.
  - B Richthofen was sent to military school when he was eleven years old.
  - © In late 1916, Richthofen met one of Germany's greatest fighter pilots.
  - With eighty confirmed victories, Richthofen was the best ace in the war.
- **3.** Which of the following words helps the reader understand the meaning of **biplane** on page 13?
  - (A) three sets of wings
  - **B** two engines
  - (C) three crosses
  - ① two sets of wings

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- **4.** In what year and month did Richthofen go back to flight school to become a pilot?
  - **(A)** April 1918
  - **B** August 1914
  - © October 1915
  - ① January 1917
- **5.** Which of the following was one of Richthofen's accomplishments?
  - (A) He had three siblings.
  - B He received the "Blue Max" medal.
  - (C) He often suffered headaches.
  - ① He was born in Germany.
- **6.** Which of the following words means a person who flies an aircraft?
  - (A) pilot
  - (B) officer
  - (C) noble
  - (I) enemy

- 7. Which of the following details is an opinion about being a fighter pilot in the war?
  - A Fighter pilots were the bravest soldiers in World War I.
  - B Planes were easily damaged, and pilots didn't have parachutes.
  - (C) Most pilots didn't live past two weeks on the job.
  - D Planes were made of fabric and wood and were fragile.
- 8. The paragraphs under the heading "The End of the Red Baron" give information about \_\_\_\_\_.
  - A the beginning of World War I in 1914
  - Manfred von Richthofen's military schooling
  - © Richthofen's "Flying Circus" fighting group
  - the death of Manfred von Richthofen



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- 9. Which of the following details from the story showed that, in the author's point of view, Richthofen was an amazing pilot?
  - A Richthofen was sent to the Eastern Front to fight.
  - ® Richthofen was the greatest ace of World War I.
  - © Richthofen was accepted for pilot training in 1915.
  - ① Richthofen was a good shot and horse rider.
- **10.** How does the map help the reader understand Richthofen's connection to the war?
  - A It shows the locations of Richthofen's many victories.
  - B It illustrates important battlefields from the war.
  - (1) It shows the locations of airfields Richthofen used during the war.
  - ① It illustrates various targets of the "Flying Circus."

- 11. Extended Response: Explain the relationship between the start of World War I in 1914, the stalemate between the trenches by 1915, and Richthofen's reputation as an ace in 1917. Use details from the story in your explanation.
- **12. Extended Response:** What events caused Richthofen to become a pilot? Use at least two details from the story to support your answer.

## LEVEL T

## **Quick Check Answer Sheet**

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Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

- **1.** ① Sequence Events
- 2. (A) Main Idea and Details
- 3. D Vocabulary
- **4.** © Sequence Events
- **5. (B)** Elements of a Biography
- **6.** (A) Vocabulary
- 7. A Fact or Opinion
- **8.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- **9.** (B) Author's Point of View
- **10.** (C) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- 11. Answers will vary. Example: When World War I started in 1914, men began to train as pilots for aerial combat. Foot soldiers in the trenches had few opportunities for glory. By 1915, Richthofen was tired of life in the filthy trenches. He decided to train as a pilot. He began scoring victories. He soon had accumulated five of these victories, becoming an ace in 1916. If there had been no war or if the trench warfare had worked, Richthofen would never have become a famous pilot.
- 12. Answers will vary. Example: Several factors led to Richthofen becoming a pilot. His father was in the military and wanted his sons to follow the same path. Richthofen was part of the cavalry, but the horses weren't effective, and they were taken away. He had to fight in the trenches, and he didn't like it. All of these events caused him to study to be a pilot.