Quick Check Harold the Dummy

Name ______ Date _____

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

- **1.** Why did Ermaline dislike her name?
 - (A) It was too long.
 - B She couldn't spell it.
 - (C) Kids teased her about it.
 - ① It reminded her of someone she doesn't like.
- 2. Why didn't Mom make legs for the dummy?
 - (A) He couldn't walk anyway.
 - (B) Mom didn't have the parts.
 - © No one would see the lower parts of his body.
 - ⑤ Someone else was going to make them for Mom.
- 3. Why did Ermaline suggest her Mom "bury the dummy in the backyard for a few years"?
 - (A) so it would be the right color
 - B so she wouldn't have to ride with it
 - © so they wouldn't have to do any more work
 - (D) all of the above

- **4.** What can you tell about Ermaline's mother?
 - A She is unhappy.
 - (B) She is creative.
 - © She ignores Ermaline.
 - ⑤ She likes to embarrass Ermaline.
- 5. What is a fanatic?
 - (A) a smart person
 - B a person with extreme views
 - © someone with a sense of humor
 - someone who likes things in order
- **6.** Why did Ermaline go out to swing in the backyard?
 - A She wanted to play.
 - (B) Her friends came over.
 - (C) Her mom was done making the dummy.
 - ⑤ She couldn't stand watching her mom make the dummy.

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- 7. What does unconscious mean?
 - (A) not awake
 - (B) awake
 - © surprised
 - ① threatening
- **8.** What did Ermaline do so no one would recognize her in her Mom's car?
 - (A) hid from view
 - B put on a big wig
 - (C) wore sunglasses and a hat
 - (D) all the above
- 9. How did Ermaline and her mom feel when they opened the door and saw the police officer holding Harold?
 - (A) angry
 - B happy
 - © surprised
 - (I) disappointed

- 10. How can you tell Ermaline had changed her mind about the dummy at the end of the story?
 - A She was happy to have the mayor and TV reporter at her house.
 - B She considered putting Harold in the front seat so people could see him better.
 - © She got ready to go for the trip and fixed Harold up so he was ready too.
 - ① All of the above
- **11. Extended Response:** Why did Ermaline's mother want to make a dummy for the car?
- **12. Extended Response:** Explain what did Harold the Dummy do to change the way Ermaline felt about him.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

- 1. (C) Analyze Character
- **2.** © Cause and Effect
- 3. (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **4.** B Analyze Character
- **5.** B Vocabulary
- **6.** (D) Cause and Effect
- **7.** A Vocabulary
- **8.** ① Analyze Character
- **9.** ① Analyze character
- **10.** B Analyze Character
- 11. Answers should include the following: Mom was a safety fanatic, and having a dummy makes it look like there is a man is in the car, so it makes them safe when they take long drives for their summer vacation.
- 12. Answers should include the following: Harold stopped a thief by scaring him when he broke into Ermalines mom's car; he was given a Good Citizenship award from the mayor; she realized having Harold the Dummy in the car for safety is a good thing; Harold helped catch a thief the police were looking for over a long period of time.