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

1. The proof that Hattie found a mermaid is in a _____.
 - Ⓐ photograph
 - Ⓑ diary
 - Ⓒ videotape
 - Ⓓ drawing
2. Why did the girls think it was all right to go into the pasture for their picnic?
 - Ⓐ It was nearby.
 - Ⓑ There weren't any cows out.
 - Ⓒ The gate was open.
 - Ⓓ Crying Rock was a safe place to go.
3. Where were Hattie and her friends supposed to have their picnic?
 - Ⓐ River Park
 - Ⓑ Crying Rock
 - Ⓒ Ledbetter Park
 - Ⓓ Hattie's backyard
4. What might have happened if Mr. Ledbetter had seen them?
 - Ⓐ He would have chased them home.
 - Ⓑ He would have phoned their parents.
 - Ⓒ He would have joined their picnic.
 - Ⓓ He would have ignored them.
5. What were the **notches** in the rock?
 - Ⓐ pieces of gold
 - Ⓑ cuts in the rock
 - Ⓒ places to sit down
 - Ⓓ bumps on the rock
6. Why did Hattie climb Crying Rock?
 - Ⓐ to see how high she could go
 - Ⓑ to find out who was crying
 - Ⓒ to watch Sybil and Sarah
 - Ⓓ to catch a yellow bird

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7. Read this example sentence:
*The pool was in the middle of a **ledge**.* What is a **ledge**?
 - Ⓐ a flat place
 - Ⓑ a steep edge
 - Ⓒ the very top
 - Ⓓ near the edge
8. What does Hattie hear when she is nearly to the top of Crying Rock?
 - Ⓐ crying
 - Ⓑ humming
 - Ⓒ singing
 - Ⓓ all of the above
9. Which of the following best states the conflict or problem of this story?
 - Ⓐ Hattie wanted to keep the mermaid a secret.
 - Ⓑ The girls couldn't have their picnic in the park.
 - Ⓒ The mermaid wouldn't talk to Hattie or to the girls.
 - Ⓓ No one believed Hattie that the mermaid was real.
10. Based on what Hattie did and said in the story, which word best describes her?
 - Ⓐ determined
 - Ⓑ generous
 - Ⓒ friendly
 - Ⓓ timid
11. **Extended Response:** Did Hattie prove to you that the mermaid was real? Give two reasons why she did or did not convince you.
12. **Extended Response:** How did Crying Rock get its name?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Mermaid in a Teacup

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
2. Ⓑ Analyze Character
3. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
4. Ⓐ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
5. Ⓑ Vocabulary
6. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
7. Ⓐ Vocabulary
8. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
9. Ⓓ Problem and Solution
10. Ⓐ Analyze Character
11. Responses will vary. Possible answers should include whether the student believes Hattie or doesn't and two ideas to support this view.
12. Responses will vary somewhat but answers should include:
water seeps down from the mountain onto the rock and makes the rock appear to cry.