

Classics Quick Check

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

- 1. What detail from the story reinforces that Toad is a vain and boastful character?
 - A The first thing he wants to do is eat lunch.
 - B The first thing he wants to do is return to Toad Hall and sleep.
 - © The first thing he wants to do is tell Rat about his adventures.
 - ① The first thing he wants to do is get out of his wet clothes.
- **2.** What problem is introduced in this part of the story?
 - A Mole and Badger share their news.
 - B Wild Wooders have taken over Toad Hall.
 - © Rat is angry at Toad for his behavior.
 - ① Toad apologizes to Rat and agrees to chat.

- **3.** Which of the following words describes things that happen at the same time?
 - (A) ignominiously
 - ® mutinously
 - © reproachfully
 - simultaneously
- **4.** When does Toad learn what happened to Toad Hall?
 - (A) when he first arrives at Rat's house
 - (B) before he puts on dry clothes
 - (C) after he has luncheon
 - ① after he goes to Toad Hall
- **5.** Which of the following events is part of the introduction of this part of the story?
 - (A) Rat finds Toad in the river.
 - B Stoats drop a stone through Toad's boat.
 - © Toad learns that Wild Wooders have taken over Toad Hall.
 - ① Rat and Toad eat supper.



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- **6.** What causes Toad to rush off and confront the Wild Wooders?
 - A Two stoats drop a stone into Toad's boat, making the boat sink into the river.
 - ® Toad learns that the Wild Wooders are telling everyone that they are staying in Toad's house permanently.
 - © Badger commands Toad to be brave and take some action against the Wild Wooders.
 - ① Toad and the other animals make a plan for Toad to confuse the Wild Wooders by confronting them.
- **7.** What important setting serves as the source of the problem?
 - (A) the river
 - (B) Rat's house
 - (C) the Wild Wood
 - ① Toad Hall

- 8. What does humbugged mean?
 - (A) met
 - (B) liked
 - © tricked
 - ① spoke to
- **9.** Which of the following events supports the conclusion that Toad needs to take the advice of his friends and be more patient?
 - (A) Rat pulls Toad out of the river.
 - B The stouts drop a big stone into Rat's boat.
 - © The Wild Wooders beat up Mole and Badger.
 - ① Toad eats the luncheon Rat provides him.
- **10.** The meals Rat serves Toad are a symbol of the _____.
 - (A) fear of enemies
 - (B) thrill of adventure
 - © comforts of home
 - ① uncertainties in life





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- 11. Extended Response: Write a paragraph that describes how Toad's friends have proven their loyalty to him, and your opinion on whether Toad deserves such friends and why. Support your answer with details from the text.
- 12. Extended Response: Write a paragraph that describes your thoughts on Toad's character, and whether you think he has really changed by the end of this part of the story.

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Classics Quick Check Answer Key

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- 1. (C) Analyze Character
- 2. (B) Problem and Solution
- 3. (D) Vocabulary
- 4. © Sequence Events
- 5. (A) Analyze Plot
- **6.** (B) Cause and Effect
- 7. (D) Analyze Setting
- 8. (Ĉ) Vocabulary
- **9.** (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **10**. (C) Story Elements: Theme

- 11. Answers will use details from the story to describe how Toad's friends have shown their support: sticking by him even after all the foolish things he has done, defending him against mean comments from the Wild Wooders, sleeping at Toad Hall to defend it, being beaten for him, making plans with Toad about getting his house back, and so on. Answers will conclude with the student's opinion on whether Toad deserves his friends and a justification of their ideas.
- 12. Answers will vary. Sample responses:
 Yes, Toad has changed. At the end of
 the story he accepts that he was an
 "ungrateful beast" and vows to share his
 friends' hardships instead of pampering
 himself. He is ready to work hard and is
 more grateful.

No, Toad has not really changed. Even though he says he is "an ungrateful beast" and has stopped bragging for a moment, he's still the same spoiled Toad, who loves to eat and be waited upon, and always changes his mind. This is just one of his mood changes.