



Quick Check

Condors: Giant Birds

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. Why do condors have no feathers on their head?
 - Ⓐ to allow them better eyesight for hunting
 - Ⓑ to help them stay cleaner while they eat
 - Ⓒ to look more attractive for their mates
2. According to the map on page 5, what is a difference between Andean condors and Californian condors?
 - Ⓐ They live in different continents.
 - Ⓑ They build nests in different parts of the Andes.
 - Ⓒ They live on the opposite ends of the same country.
3. Under which section title would you expect to find details about condor babies?
 - Ⓐ "Time to Clean Up"
 - Ⓑ "Condors Grow Up"
 - Ⓒ "Condor Homes"
4. Which of the following words means *steep faces of rock or dirt*?
 - Ⓐ feathers
 - Ⓑ nests
 - Ⓒ cliffs
5. Why did the author write this book?
 - Ⓐ to inform
 - Ⓑ to entertain
 - Ⓒ to persuade
6. **Extended Response:** What do the pictures help readers understand about a condor's appearance and eating habits? Describe at least two details you learned directly from the pictures. How would you have imagined a condor looks if the book did not include any pictures?



1. (B) *Cause and Effect*
2. (A) *Compare and Contrast*
3. (B) *Main Idea and Details*
4. (C) *Vocabulary*
5. (A) *Author's Purpose*
6. Answers will describe ways the pictures add details to the text through details captured in photographs that aren't directly described in the book. Answers will provide two details the student learned from looking at the pictures and conclude with a description of how the student might have pictured a condor with no visual input.