



## Quick Check

## Empire State Building

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Which of the following is an opinion about the Empire State Building?
  - Ⓐ The Empire State Building was the tallest building in the world for forty-one years.
  - Ⓑ The Empire State Building is an interesting landmark.
  - Ⓒ You can see five states from the top of the Empire State Building.
  - Ⓓ The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel was torn down to make room for the Empire State Building.
2. What is the main idea of the section "Crash to the Bottom"?
  - Ⓐ Alfred E. Smith lost the election when he ran for president of the United States.
  - Ⓑ A plane crashed into the Empire State Building during World War II.
  - Ⓒ The Waldorf-Astoria Hotel had to be torn down before the Empire State Building could be constructed.
  - Ⓓ Five workers died while working on the Empire State Building.
3. Why did the author write this book?
  - Ⓐ to inform the reader about the importance of the Empire State Building
  - Ⓑ to entertain the reader with a story about celebrities visiting the Empire State Building
  - Ⓒ to persuade the reader that the Empire State Building should never have been built
  - Ⓓ to inform the reader that the Empire State Building is the tallest building in the world today

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4. During construction, the Empire State Building had its own hospital on site because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ the investors had extra money and wanted to fund the hospital
  - Ⓑ the workers couldn't afford to go to the regular hospital
  - Ⓒ there were thousands of workers to keep safe and healthy on such a dangerous job site
  - Ⓓ Alfred E. Smith wanted to be a doctor
  
5. What does **iconic** mean?
  - Ⓐ famous and recognizable
  - Ⓑ never having happened before
  - Ⓒ forgettable
  - Ⓓ created on a large scale
  
6. **Extended Response:** Why is it important that the Empire State Building was declared a landmark? How might things be different today if it hadn't been declared a landmark?



1. (B) *Fact or Opinion*
2. (C) *Main Idea and Details*
3. (A) *Author's Purpose*
4. (C) *Cause and Effect*
5. (A) *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary. Example:  
*It is important that the Empire State Building was declared a landmark because that means it must be preserved and cannot be torn down. If it hadn't been declared a landmark, it might have already been torn down to make room for new, taller buildings, and then we would lose an important part of history.*