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

1. Why do some people with full-time jobs still have difficulty obtaining enough food?
  - Ⓐ They want to buy only expensive and fancy foods.
  - Ⓑ They spend too much money on other items.
  - Ⓒ There are often shortages of food at the stores.
  - Ⓓ Other costs are rising, such as housing, medical care, and childcare.
2. How did SNAP change in 2008?
  - Ⓐ The program emphasized nutrition.
  - Ⓑ The program emphasized free lunches.
  - Ⓒ The program emphasized support for women and children under five.
  - Ⓓ The program supported the creation of community gardens.
3. When did the federal food assistance programs begin offering actual stamps that people used to buy surplus food?
  - Ⓐ 1939
  - Ⓑ 2013
  - Ⓒ 2008
  - Ⓓ 1964
4. *The knowledge or understanding of something is called* \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - Ⓐ census
  - Ⓑ awareness
  - Ⓒ campaign
  - Ⓓ benefits

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| <p>5. Which of the following is an opinion?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ Community gardens help feed hungry families and provide fresh food.</li> <li>Ⓑ In the United States, many children live in food-insecure households.</li> <li>Ⓒ Fighting hunger in America is more important than fighting homelessness.</li> <li>Ⓓ The government offers a safety net to many hungry Americans.</li> </ul> | <p>6. What does the author want the reader to know about hunger in America?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ The answer to ending the hunger problem in the United States is to create more community gardens.</li> <li>Ⓑ The federal food programs can be difficult for people to access, and the systems must be changed in order to end hunger.</li> <li>Ⓒ Hunger in America is becoming less of a problem, and we do not need to worry about it or take action.</li> <li>Ⓓ There are people in your local community who do not get enough food, and there are ways you can help.</li> </ul> |
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7. When government funding is not enough to meet the needs of hungry Americans, \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ money is donated to schools and communities to start gardens
  - Ⓑ grocery stores are required to give away free food
  - Ⓒ local food banks and programs offer food to hungry people
  - Ⓓ money from other government programs is taken to give to people in need
8. Which of the following expresses the author's desire to persuade and inspire people to help fight hunger?
  - Ⓐ We have what it takes to make sure children like Mario never go hungry again. We just need the will to make it happen.
  - Ⓑ Most people don't know a lot about hunger in their own communities.
  - Ⓒ About 40 percent of food in the United States is thrown away.
  - Ⓓ When families don't have enough money, they often have to make tough choices.
9. What is the effect on children when they do not get enough food?
  - Ⓐ They get in trouble at school.
  - Ⓑ They have a harder time learning.
  - Ⓒ They must raise money for their meals.
  - Ⓓ They have to apply for help without their parents.

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10. An **epidemic** is \_\_\_\_\_.

- Ⓐ a way of helping people get enough food
- Ⓑ something relating to the government
- Ⓒ a sudden, widespread occurrence of a harmful condition
- Ⓓ a way that kids can help fight hunger

11. **Extended Response:** Why does the author suggest to the readers that they write letters to representatives in Congress?

12. **Extended Response:** Why did the author title this book *Hungry Right Here*?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

**Hungry Right Here?**

*Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose*

1. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
4. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓒ *Fact or Opinion*
6. Ⓓ *Author's Purpose*
7. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
8. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
9. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
10. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary but should note that the author suggests writing letters to Congress to encourage support for programs that help to end the hunger epidemic. Answers should state that the author suggests writing letters as a way for the reader's voice to be heard and a way of taking action against hunger.
12. Answers will vary, but students should note that the title *Hungry Right Here?* points to the fact that hunger is a problem throughout America and is present in our local communities, whether we are aware of it or not.