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

- **1.** What causes the jury box to tip over?
 - Alice knocks the jury box over in an effort to hide from the King and Queen.

 - © Alice knocks the jury box over in her hurry and clumsiness due to her larger size.
 - ① Alice flips the jury box over because she is in the middle of a temper tantrum.
- 2. Why does Alice say that it doesn't matter which way the Lizard is sitting?
 - Alice thinks the jury members are useless and of no help anyway.
 - B Alice knows the lizard can hear much better with its tail.
 - © Alice knows that a lizard can think better sitting upside down.
 - Alice thinks the trial is almost over and that the jury has already made a decision.

- 3. Read this sentence: "Consider your verdict," he said to the jury, in a low trembling voice. What is the meaning of verdict?
 - (A) the sentence of the convicted
 - B the decision reached by a jury
 - © the crime a person is accused of
 - ① the evidence presented at a trial
- **4.** How does Alice's attitude about the trial compare to the King's feelings?
 - Alice believes the trial has some secret meaning, but the King knows it doesn't.
 - Alice finds the whole event entertaining, while the King is terrified by it.
 - © Alice is very serious about the trial, while the King is constantly goofing off.
 - ① Alice views the whole affair as ridiculous, but the King treats it seriously.



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- **5.** How does the author use irony in the scene where the word *fit* is discussed at the trial?
 - Alice declares that the poem is not a good fit for the accusation.
 - B The King uses the word fit as a pun.
 - ① The Queen throws a fit while denying that she has fits.
 - D Bill uses the ink that the Queen throws while talking about fits.
- 6. Read this sentence: The White Rabbit put on his spectacles. What is the meaning of spectacles?
 - (A) a hat

 - (C) a waistcoat
 - ① a pocket watch

- 7. Why does the author include the letter as a central piece of evidence in the trial?
 - A to emphasize the utter nonsense of the trial and all its evidence
 - B to give Alice a moment of realization on the meaning of Wonderland
 - © to provide a reason why the King and Queen are targeting the Knave
 - ① to underscore the importance of the trial and its portrayal of Wonderland
- 8. How does the author signal to the reader that Alice is beginning to wake up from her dream?
 - A Alice shuffles the cards.
 - (B) Alice yells at the Queen.
 - (C) Alice shrinks.
 - ① Alice grows to her full size.



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- **9.** At the end of the story, Alice's sister thinks about Wonderland and Alice growing older. What does this ending reveal about the author's opinion of growing up?
 - A It shows that the author views childhood as a time of bewildering nonsense and growing up as a welcome escape.
 - B It reveals that the author sees growing up as an important journey that helps one discard childish ideas.
 - © It shows that the author sees growing up as a time of maturity and reflection, with no room for childhood dreams.
 - ① It reveals that the author views childhood and dreaming as precious gifts that should be held on to as one grows up.

- **10.** When does Alice's sister have her dream?
 - (A) before Alice wakes up
 - ® after Alice wakes up
 - © at the same time as Alice has her dream
 - ① during the trial of the Knave of Hearts
- 11. Extended Response: Compare how Alice treats the King and Queen to how she might behave toward an adult in her waking reality, not Wonderland. Then, share your opinion on whether Alice's behavior towards the King and Queen is appropriate.
- **12. Extended Response:** How does Alice's older sister feel about her? Use evidence from the story to support your answer.

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- 1. (C) Cause and Effect
- 2. (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- 3. (B) Vocabulary
- **4.** (D) Compare and Contrast
- 5. (C) Story Elements
- **6.** (B) Vocabulary
- 7. (A) Author's Purpose
- **8.** (D) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- 9. (D) Author's Point of View
- **10**. B Sequence of Events

- 11. Answers will vary but should indicate the following: Alice treats the King and the Queen with great disrespect. She questions their authority and yells and argues with them. For example, Alice yells, "Stuff and nonsense," at the Queen when the Queen insists that they have the sentence before the verdict. In real life, especially as a Victorian child, Alice would have been very respectful to the adults in her life. She likely would not have argued, and she would have obeyed their directions. Student opinions regarding the appropriateness of Alice's behavior will vary.
- 12. Answers should indicate that Alice's older sister loves and cares for Alice very deeply. Supporting details can include the following: First, Alice is sleeping with her head in her sister's lap. After Alice wakes up, her sister kisses her and listens very attentively to Alice's dream. After Alice leaves to have tea, her older sister continues to think about her affectionately and imagines Alice as an adult with children of her own.

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