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

1. Why is Loch Ness different from other lochs in the British Isles?
 - Ⓐ It has warmer water than the other lochs.
 - Ⓑ It is deeper and bigger than other lochs.
 - Ⓒ It has a mysterious creature living in it.
 - Ⓓ It was not found until a few years ago.
2. What is the main idea for the section titled "Monster Sightings"?
 - Ⓐ People have claimed for hundreds of years that a strange creature exists in Loch Ness.
 - Ⓑ The cold loch has been keeping a strange creature alive for many years.
 - Ⓒ People have been trying to get pictures of the Loch Ness Monster with cameras.
 - Ⓓ People have been using NASA's computers to find the Loch Ness Monster.
3. Which of the following matches the description of the Loch Ness Monster?
 - Ⓐ a large fish with feet similar to a hippopotamus
 - Ⓑ a large seal that breathes fire from its mouth
 - Ⓒ a sheep with a long neck
 - Ⓓ a sea serpent with humps on its back
4. What is a **legend**?
 - Ⓐ a way of solving a problem
 - Ⓑ a visit to a new, exciting place
 - Ⓒ a type of creature that lives underwater
 - Ⓓ a story from long ago that can't be proven to be true

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5. How do scientists think Loch Ness was created?
 - Ⓐ No one knows how it was created.
 - Ⓑ Earthquakes created a large trench, and melting ice filled the trench with water.
 - Ⓒ A volcano exploded and the top filled in with water.
 - Ⓓ A meteorite created a large hole in the ground, and the ocean spilled in.
6. People know that many Nessie photographs are a **hoax**. A **hoax** is _____.
 - Ⓐ a trick to make people believe something that is not true
 - Ⓑ a story that can't be proven to be true
 - Ⓒ an item found many years ago
 - Ⓓ a decision made by scientists
7. How is a sonar picture created?
 - Ⓐ by a camera dropped into water
 - Ⓑ by using lights to scan for objects inside deep, dark places
 - Ⓒ by measuring the time it takes for a sound sent out to bounce back
 - Ⓓ by snapping a picture of the surface of a lake or ocean
8. Which of the following statements is not supported by the text in this book?
 - Ⓐ Prehistoric reptiles might have survived in lakes for millions of years.
 - Ⓑ The Loch Ness Project did not provide experts with any useful information.
 - Ⓒ Mysterious underwater creatures have only been sighted in Loch Ness.
 - Ⓓ Some people might have seen a monster rise up in Loch Ness.

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9. Which statement is an opinion?

- Ⓐ Strange creatures of the sea are found in many legends, myths, and stories.
- Ⓑ Loch Ness's water is very cold.
- Ⓒ The Loch Ness Monster does not exist.
- Ⓓ Some people have tried to make the world believe Nessie through hoaxes.

10. Read this sentence: *The Loch Ness Monster might someday be identified as a new **species**.* What does **species** mean?

- Ⓐ a Scottish folktale
- Ⓑ a type of saltwater mammal
- Ⓒ a kind of trick
- Ⓓ a group of similar animals

11. **Extended Response:** Explain why sonar testing in Loch Ness proved that Nessie might exist.

12. **Extended Response:** Do you believe Nessie is or was a real creature? Why?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

The Legend of Nessie

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
2. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
7. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓒ *Fact or Opinion*
10. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers should include: *scientists did find a large, moving object deep in the loch, but they didn't know what it was.*
12. Answers will vary but should include whether or not the student believes the Loch Ness Monster is a real creature, supporting the answer with evidence from the book.