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

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Who is the main character of this story? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Ben's parents Ⓑ Cindy Ⓒ Ben Ⓓ Dave's brother 2. What event happens first? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Ben fixes Dave's report. Ⓑ Ben has his first day at Dave's school. Ⓒ Dave is embarrassed by Ben. Ⓓ Dave is tricked by his brother. 3. What problem does Ben have with Dave? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Ben doesn't understand why Dave is using the wrong words in his sentences. Ⓑ Ben is embarrassed because Dave keeps correcting the way he speaks. Ⓒ Ben is upset because Dave and his friends tease him for being a new kid. Ⓓ Ben doesn't want Dave to win when they run the mile in gym class. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. How does Ben solve this problem? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ He asks Dave's friends for help. Ⓑ He asks Dave where he learned all his words. Ⓒ He has his parents talk to Dave's parents. Ⓓ He corrects Dave in front of his friends. 5. Which of the following sentences from the book supports your answer in question 4? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ He knows all sorts of big words. Ⓑ Dave looked panicky for a moment, then started to laugh. Ⓒ Where did you learn to spell like this? Ⓓ He knew he had the definitions right, but people talked strangely up here. |
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6. Someone who acts as if he or she knows everything is _____.
 - Ⓐ a know-it-all
 - Ⓑ a bully
 - Ⓒ a prankster
 - Ⓓ a clown
7. How are Ben and Dave similar?
 - Ⓐ They both have trouble with definitions.
 - Ⓑ They both like words.
 - Ⓒ They are both new at school.
 - Ⓓ They both have brothers.
8. What causes Ben to want to meet Dictionary Dave?
 - Ⓐ Cindy tells Ben that everyone is friends with Dave.
 - Ⓑ Ben wants to be as well-liked as Dave.
 - Ⓒ Ben wants Dave to help him get better grades.
 - Ⓓ Dave knows all sorts of big words.
9. Which of the following best shows that Ben **embarrassed** Dave?
 - Ⓐ Dave and his friends laughed at Ben.
 - Ⓑ Ben fixed Dave's report.
 - Ⓒ Dave snapped at Ben.
 - Ⓓ Dave blushed after Ben's comment.
10. Why does Ben help Dave?
 - Ⓐ Ben's friends convince Ben that he should help Dave.
 - Ⓑ Ben cares about how other people feel.
 - Ⓒ Ben helps other people if they do what he wants.
 - Ⓓ Ben's parents make him help Dave.
11. **Extended Response:** How does Ben's opinion of Dave change during the story? Support your answer with evidence from the story.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Dictionary Dave

Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution

1. Ⓒ *Story Elements*
2. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓐ *Problem and Solution*
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5. Ⓒ *Problem and Solution*
6. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
7. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
9. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that at the beginning of the story, Ben felt angry with Dave for laughing at him when he knew that Dave was wrong about word meanings. When Ben took the time to find out more about Dave, he learned that Dave's brother had played a prank on him and Dave didn't know that he had been wrong all along. Ben wasn't mad at Dave anymore, and they became friends.