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

1. What is unique about sea turtles when they are compared to other kinds of turtles?
  - Ⓐ They are all soft-shelled.
  - Ⓑ They live on land and sea.
  - Ⓒ They live in saltwater.
  - Ⓓ They lay soft-shelled eggs.
2. What are hazards for sea turtles?
  - Ⓐ sharks
  - Ⓑ boats
  - Ⓒ trash
  - Ⓓ all of the above
3. What is the main reason female sea turtles come onto land?
  - Ⓐ to eat
  - Ⓑ to rest
  - Ⓒ to lay eggs
  - Ⓓ to find a mate
4. What does **carnivorous** mean?
  - Ⓐ migrates in water
  - Ⓑ stays out of the sea
  - Ⓒ eats vegetables
  - Ⓓ eats meat
5. What is one thing that the black turtle and the Australian flatback have in common?
  - Ⓐ They like to stay close to shore.
  - Ⓑ They like the open ocean.
  - Ⓒ They are not reptiles.
  - Ⓓ They live in Australia.
6. What percentage of sea turtle hatchlings survive predators?
  - Ⓐ 70%
  - Ⓑ 50%
  - Ⓒ 25%
  - Ⓓ 10%
7. Why would a sea turtle not want to come onto land for long?
  - Ⓐ They move slowly on land.
  - Ⓑ They are near-sighted.
  - Ⓒ They are vulnerable.
  - Ⓓ All of the above

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8. What is the top part of a sea turtle's shell called?
  - Ⓐ plastron
  - Ⓑ carapace
  - Ⓒ flipper
  - Ⓓ ridge
9. What are the bony plates that make up the shell of most sea turtles called?
  - Ⓐ plastrons
  - Ⓑ scutes
  - Ⓒ herbivores
  - Ⓓ rudders
10. Sea turtles \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ breathe air
  - Ⓑ are cold-blooded
  - Ⓒ have been around since the dinosaurs
  - Ⓓ all of the above
11. **Extended Response:** What adaptations make sea turtles good swimmers?
12. **Extended Response:** List at least three ways that people are trying to protect sea turtles.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Sea Turtles

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓒ *Compare and Contrast*
2. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓐ *Compare and Contrast*
6. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers may vary but should include the following: *sea turtles have streamlined bodies, long front flippers, and hind flippers that are used as rudders.*
12. Answers should include three of the following: *there are now laws about shrimp nets, it is illegal to collect their eggs or to hunt them for meat, screens are being put over their nests, eggs laid too close to the water are being moved, wildlife refuges are being created where they nest, and people are giving medical attention to injured turtles.*