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

1. Which detail supports the idea that a dolphin is intelligent?
 - Ⓐ It has a strong tail.
 - Ⓑ It has a sleek body.
 - Ⓒ It surfaces often for air.
 - Ⓓ It has a large brain.
2. What gives the leatherback turtle its name?
 - Ⓐ Its shell looks as if it is made of leather.
 - Ⓑ It has leathery skin instead of a shell.
 - Ⓒ Its shell is as tough as leather.
 - Ⓓ Its eggs are made of leather.
3. In what ways are California sea lions and great white sharks similar?
 - Ⓐ They both have thin fur that coats their bodies.
 - Ⓑ They both eat fish as part of their diet.
 - Ⓒ They both do not have any bones in their bodies.
 - Ⓓ They both spend time on land and in the water.
4. *An animal that hunts and eats other animals* is called a _____.
 - Ⓐ mammal
 - Ⓑ reptile
 - Ⓒ predator
 - Ⓓ creature
5. What is the main idea of *Ocean Animals*?
 - Ⓐ Blue whales communicate with each other by making deep sounds that move through the water.
 - Ⓑ A leatherback turtle lays between eighty and one hundred eggs on land.
 - Ⓒ Some ocean animals spend all of their time in the water, but others spend some time on land.
 - Ⓓ The many kinds of animals living in the ocean form an ocean community.

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6. How does a sea horse defend itself when it is in danger?
 - Ⓐ It changes its color and shape.
 - Ⓑ It hooks its tail to something nearby.
 - Ⓒ It hides in a small space.
 - Ⓓ It uses its very sharp teeth.
7. What helps a walrus survive in cold climates?
 - Ⓐ a thick layer of fat on its body
 - Ⓑ long, ivory tusks
 - Ⓒ flat flippers
 - Ⓓ long fur on its body
8. What is the author's purpose for writing *Ocean Animals*?
 - Ⓐ to persuade readers to visit the ocean and see different kinds of animals
 - Ⓑ to inform readers about the many kinds of animals that live in the ocean
 - Ⓒ to entertain readers with stories about strange ocean animals
 - Ⓓ to inform readers about the unusual features of sea horses
9. Which of the following words means *in danger of dying out completely*?
 - Ⓐ latching
 - Ⓑ defensive
 - Ⓒ pollution
 - Ⓓ endangered
10. Which of the following is an opinion?
 - Ⓐ A hammerhead shark uses its head to pin stingrays.
 - Ⓑ If a great white shark loses a tooth, it will grow back.
 - Ⓒ An octopus is the most interesting animal in the ocean.
 - Ⓓ A blue whale is the largest animal on the planet.
11. **Extended Response:** How can unclean oceans affect ocean animals?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Ocean Animals

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
3. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
4. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
8. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
9. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓒ *Fact or Opinion*
11. Answers will vary but should include that dirty oceans can cause ocean animals to become sick and may even cause them to die.