

Quick Check

Arthur's Bad News Day

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. How does Arthur feel at first about his baby sister?
 - Ⓐ upset
 - Ⓑ bored
 - Ⓒ tired
 - Ⓓ excited
2. What things does Arthur like about each day?
 - Ⓐ He gets to eat his favorite cereal.
 - Ⓑ He gets to stay up and watch TV.
 - Ⓒ He gets to ride his new bike to school.
 - Ⓓ None of the above
3. What is one reason why Arthur thinks he will not like his new sister?
 - Ⓐ because he knows the baby won't like him
 - Ⓑ because his parents always wanted a girl
 - Ⓒ because of what happened to his friend Jeff
 - Ⓓ because of what happened the last time he got a new baby sister
4. What do Arthur and his friend Jeff have in common?
 - Ⓐ They both wear glasses.
 - Ⓑ They both like pancakes.
 - Ⓒ They both have baby sisters.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
5. What makes Arthur change his mind about his sister?
 - Ⓐ She cries and kicks.
 - Ⓑ She smiles at him.
 - Ⓒ She falls asleep in his lap.
 - Ⓓ She holds on to his finger.

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6. How does Arthur feel when he holds his sister?
 - Ⓐ He feels upset that he has to share things with her.
 - Ⓑ He feels good being a big brother.
 - Ⓒ He wants his mom to take her back.
 - Ⓓ He feels sad and unhappy.
7. What does Arthur learn by the end of this story?
 - Ⓐ Having a new sister is terrible.
 - Ⓑ His parents have enough love to share with everyone.
 - Ⓒ He can only count on his friends for help.
 - Ⓓ Being the focus of attention is no fun.
8. Which of the following words is a compound word, a word made up of two smaller words?
 - Ⓐ perfect
 - Ⓑ chocolate
 - Ⓒ pancake
 - Ⓓ blanket
9. What problem does Arthur think he will have with a baby sister?
 - Ⓐ His parents won't notice him anymore.
 - Ⓑ The baby will cry a lot.
 - Ⓒ He won't be able to get a dog.
 - Ⓓ He will have to share his pancakes with her.
10. What makes Arthur think it will be bad news having a baby sister?
 - Ⓐ He has seen what happens on TV.
 - Ⓑ His mom told him what it will be like.
 - Ⓒ His friend told him what it's like having a sister.
 - Ⓓ He read about it in a book.
11. **Extended Response:** What lesson does the author hope the reader learns from the story?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

1. Ⓐ *Analyze Character*
2. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
3. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
4. Ⓒ *Compare and Contrast*
5. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
7. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓐ *Problem and Solution*
10. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
11. Answers will vary but should include the following idea:
having an open mind and learning not to make up your mind about something before it happens.