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

1. What does Mrs. Miller first suggest to do to solve the problem?
 - Ⓐ move the yard sale
 - Ⓑ cancel the yard sale
 - Ⓒ ignore the bear
 - Ⓓ scare the bear
2. What happens first in the story?
 - Ⓐ The Millers move the trampoline under the tree.
 - Ⓑ The bear walks into the woods.
 - Ⓒ Sam puts up signs for the sale.
 - Ⓓ Sam draws everyone's ideas.
3. Where does this story take place?
 - Ⓐ in a yard
 - Ⓑ in a house
 - Ⓒ in a forest
 - Ⓓ in a park
4. To **sketch** means _____.
 - Ⓐ to share and create ideas
 - Ⓑ to write down ideas
 - Ⓒ to draw or outline something
 - Ⓓ to talk about a problem
5. Why does Sam not want to cancel the yard sale?
 - Ⓐ He needs to make money to pay for a new bike.
 - Ⓑ He needs to make money to pay for something he broke.
 - Ⓒ He needs to make money for his choir trip.
 - Ⓓ He needs to make money to go on a field trip.

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6. How does Mrs. Miller think they should solve the problem of the bear in the tree?
 - Ⓐ She thinks they should play a really bad song on the radio.
 - Ⓑ She thinks they should move the trampoline under the tree.
 - Ⓒ She thinks they should call the police to come help them.
 - Ⓓ She thinks they should make a trail of nuts for the bear to follow.
7. What caused Sam to think of the plan to leave nuts on the ground for the bear?
 - Ⓐ He read in a book that bears love to eat nuts.
 - Ⓑ His mom suggested that they get nuts from the kitchen and see if the bear would eat them.
 - Ⓒ He saw the bear eating something while it was in the tree.
 - Ⓓ He noticed the nuts on the ground that were left behind by the squirrels.
8. How did Sam try to solve the problem of the squirrels eating from the bird feeder?
 - Ⓐ He made a trap to catch the squirrels.
 - Ⓑ He dug a moat around the bird feeder.
 - Ⓒ He moved the bird feeder to a new location.
 - Ⓓ He removed the bird feeder from the yard.
9. How does Mrs. Miller feel about the bear in the tree?
 - Ⓐ calm
 - Ⓑ excited
 - Ⓒ confused
 - Ⓓ scared
10. Which word means *a deep, wide ditch often filled with water*?
 - Ⓐ moat
 - Ⓑ trail
 - Ⓒ idea
 - Ⓓ solution
11. **Extended Response:** According to the "Bear Safety" section of the story, what should the Millers have done when they saw the bear?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Brainstorm Bear

Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution

1. Ⓑ *Problem and Solution*
2. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓐ *Story Elements*
4. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
6. Ⓐ *Problem and Solution*
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8. Ⓑ *Problem and Solution*
9. Ⓐ *Analyze Character*
10. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers should include the following: *According to the "Bear Safety" section of the story, the Millers should have gone into their house and called the Department of Wildlife to come remove the bear.*