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

1. Which statement is an opinion?
 - Ⓐ Penguins have two layers of feathers.
 - Ⓑ There are seventeen types of penguins.
 - Ⓒ Penguins are amusing to watch.
 - Ⓓ Eggs must stay warm to hatch.
2. A penguin living in the Galapagos Islands lives in a _____ climate.
 - Ⓐ harsh
 - Ⓑ cold
 - Ⓒ warm
 - Ⓓ dangerous
3. How does rubbing oil on its outer feathers affect a penguin?
 - Ⓐ It keeps out water and keeps in heat.
 - Ⓑ It makes it easier to walk smoothly.
 - Ⓒ It builds an extra layer of fat.
 - Ⓓ It allows the body heat to escape.
4. What is the main idea of the section "Hunters and Hunted"?
 - Ⓐ Penguins are meat eaters.
 - Ⓑ King penguins mostly eat fish.
 - Ⓒ Penguins hunt for food and are hunted as food.
 - Ⓓ Penguins are hunted by sharks and orcas.
5. When are penguins ready to hunt for their own food?
 - Ⓐ when they grow adult feathers
 - Ⓑ when they turn ten years old
 - Ⓒ as soon as they are born
 - Ⓓ when they can find their way home
6. The purpose of this book is _____.
 - Ⓐ to describe a process
 - Ⓑ to inform the reader
 - Ⓒ to persuade the reader
 - Ⓓ to entertain the reader

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7. Read this sentence: *There are seventeen **species** of penguins.* What is a **species**?
 - Ⓐ a group of living things that are similar to one another
 - Ⓑ a type of swimmer
 - Ⓒ a type of feathered animal
 - Ⓓ a specific color
8. What dangers do penguins face when nesting and hatching a chick?
 - Ⓐ lack of food
 - Ⓑ harsh weather
 - Ⓒ keeping an egg warm
 - Ⓓ all of the above
9. Which of the following characteristics does not describe penguins?
 - Ⓐ cannot fly
 - Ⓑ have flippers
 - Ⓒ eat only plants
 - Ⓓ clumsy on land
10. How are penguins like other birds?
 - Ⓐ They cannot fly.
 - Ⓑ They don't have teeth.
 - Ⓒ They have strong wings.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
11. **Extended Response:** Compare and contrast two types of penguins.
12. **Extended Response:** What is the most fascinating information you learned about penguins? Explain.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Penguins

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓒ *Fact or Opinion*
2. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
3. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
4. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
6. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
7. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
11. Answers will vary but should include at least one detail about how two types of penguins are the same and one detail about how they are different.
12. Answers will vary but should include an opinion and an explanation of why the information is fascinating.