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

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| <p>1. Why do many people recognize giant pandas even though they are found in the wild only in China?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ Pandas have thick black and white fur.</li> <li>Ⓑ Pandas are the cutest animals in the world.</li> <li>Ⓒ Pandas are like humans in many ways.</li> <li>Ⓓ All of the above</li> </ul> <p>2. How are newborn pandas similar to newborn humans?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ They are dependent on their mothers.</li> <li>Ⓑ They cannot walk at first.</li> <li>Ⓒ They drink milk until they can eat solid food.</li> <li>Ⓓ All of the above</li> </ul> | <p>3. What does it mean when an animal is <b>endangered</b>?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ It is in danger from predators.</li> <li>Ⓑ It is in danger of dying out completely.</li> <li>Ⓒ It has the ability to cause danger.</li> <li>Ⓓ It has the ability to roam a wide range.</li> </ul> <p>4. What are the characteristics of the only place wild giant pandas still live?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ cold and damp</li> <li>Ⓑ in western China</li> <li>Ⓒ filled with bamboo</li> <li>Ⓓ all of the above</li> </ul> |
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5. What is the most important fact to know about giant pandas?
  - Ⓐ Giant pandas eat bamboo in the forests of China.
  - Ⓑ Giant pandas live alone except when mating or having babies.
  - Ⓒ Giant pandas are in danger of becoming extinct.
  - Ⓓ Giant pandas are among the most loved animals in the world.
6. Why do pandas mark their home ranges?
  - Ⓐ They do not want to share their food.
  - Ⓑ They want to let other pandas know they live there.
  - Ⓒ Female pandas want male pandas to stay away.
  - Ⓓ Male pandas want to let females know where they are going.
7. What is a young panda's biggest danger?
  - Ⓐ leopards and wild dogs
  - Ⓑ other pandas in its home range
  - Ⓒ not being able to eat bamboo
  - Ⓓ all of the above
8. What is the main idea of the section titled "Giant Panda Survival"?
  - Ⓐ The Chinese government has created thirty-four preserves to protect giant panda habitat.
  - Ⓑ Laws protect giant pandas, but the laws came too late to do any good.
  - Ⓒ Giant pandas are endangered, but many people are trying to protect them.
  - Ⓓ Giant pandas have a smaller wild habitat now, but they are surviving in zoos.

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9. Giant pandas are almost extinct. What is one of the threats pandas face?
  - Ⓐ There are too many pandas living in too small an area.
  - Ⓑ People are creating preserves for them.
  - Ⓒ People are destroying the bamboo forests where they live.
  - Ⓓ They are unable to protect themselves while young.
  
10. Why do pandas need to eat so much bamboo?
  - Ⓐ They need to eat so they can hibernate.
  - Ⓑ They need to eat as much as they can before their habitat is destroyed.
  - Ⓒ They need a lot of nutrients.
  - Ⓓ They need to eat as much as they can before other animals eat the bamboo.
  
11. **Extended Response:** Why does a mother panda raise only one cub and ignore any others?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Giant Pandas

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
2. Ⓓ Compare and Contrast
3. Ⓑ Vocabulary
4. Ⓓ Classify Information
5. Ⓒ Fact or Opinion
6. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
7. Ⓐ Classify Information
8. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
9. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
10. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
11. Answers will vary, but should include supporting reasons from the book such as: *there isn't enough food to raise more than one cub, home ranges are decreasing in size, a mother may not be able to protect more than one cub from predators, etc.*