

Quick Check

Searching for the Loch Ness Monster

Name	Date

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

- 1. What keeps Loch Ness's temperature so cold?
 - (A) a layer of dead plants
 - B being very far to the north
 - (C) cold rivers flow into it
 - ① glaciers melt into the lake
- 2. Ross and Skye's father wants to take a boat ride to ______
 - (A) find Nessie using sonar
 - B try out his new camera
 - try to catch some fish for dinner
 - D learn more about the loch and the monster
- 3. What is the setting for this story?
 - (A) Scotland in times like today
 - B London during a war
 - © England long ago
 - ① United States in the future

- 4. What is a lair?
 - A a place used by a wild animal for sleeping
 - B a plant that lives on mountains
 - © a way of finding an animal
 - ① a type of boat
- **5.** How is Loch Ness different from lakes near where Ross lived?
 - (A) It is narrower.
 - B It has more of water.
 - (C) It is in the mountains.
 - ① It doesn't have trees along the shore.

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- **6.** What does the tour guide tell Skye and Ross?
 - A Some people think the stories of Nessie are made up to keep children from going in the lake.
 - B Some people think the Loch Ness Monster has survived for millions of years.
 - © Scientists once found a long object that was moving far down in the lake.
 - ① All of the above
- **7.** Which word means to prove something as false?
 - (A) launch
 - B species
 - (C) debunk
 - ① imagination

- **8.** What causes people to think there is a monster in Loch Ness?
 - A People think they have seen the head and body of a large creature.
 - B Someone from NASA was able to take a sonar picture of it.
 - © A person captured a creature and put it in the lake.
 - ① There is a very good photograph of the creature.
- **9.** What effect does the boat trip have on Ross?
 - (A) It makes him more interested in Loch Ness.
 - (B) It makes him seasick.
 - © It makes him want to see more of Scotland.
 - ① It makes him more interested in the red-bellied Arctic char that scientists found.



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- 10. What might cause an echo from a "large and moving" object about 200 feet deep in Loch Ness?
 - A a log moving on an underwater current
 - B a large fish scientists haven't discovered yet
 - (C) the Loch Ness Monster
 - (I) all of the above
- 11. Extended Response: When scientists were studying Loch Ness, what discovery caused them to be surprised?
- 12. Extended Response: What evidence might cause people who do not believe the Loch Ness Monster is real to change their minds?



LEVEL S

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

- **1.** (A) Cause and Effect
- 2.

 Main Idea and Details
- 3. A Story Elements
- **4.** A Vocabulary
- **5.** A Compare and Contrast
- **6.** D Story Elements
- **7.** ① Vocabulary
- **8.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **9.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **10.** (D) Cause and Effect
- 11. Answers should include the following: scientists were surprised when they found a new fish, red-bellied arctic char; they were surprised that it's been living in 700-foot-deep water for over 12,000 years, since the ice age.
- **12.** Answers should include the following: possible sonar evidence, consistency of the descriptions of sightings, reliable eyewitnesses.