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

1. What caused Maewyn Succat (Patrick) to end up in Ireland when he was sixteen?
  - Ⓐ Irish invaders captured him and took him there.
  - Ⓑ He had a dream to go there to help the Irish people.
  - Ⓒ He wanted to take care of sheep there.
  - Ⓓ His parents decided they wanted their family to live there.
2. The author wrote this book to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ entertain readers with stories about Saint Patrick
  - Ⓑ inform readers about Saint Patrick's life and Saint Patrick's Day
  - Ⓒ entertain readers with photographs and illustrations related to Saint Patrick's Day
  - Ⓓ persuade readers to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day
3. Which statement is an opinion?
  - Ⓐ Patrick died on March 17, around the year 460.
  - Ⓑ Saint Patrick wasn't Irish.
  - Ⓒ Parades are the best way to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day.
  - Ⓓ The Shamrock is a symbol of Ireland.
4. *California* is to *state* as *Ireland* is to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ *ocean*
  - Ⓑ *island*
  - Ⓒ *culture*
  - Ⓓ *city*
5. How do people all over the world celebrate Saint Patrick's Day?
  - Ⓐ They have a feast day.
  - Ⓑ They go to church and pray for Saint Patrick.
  - Ⓒ They have parades, eat Irish food, and wear green.
  - Ⓓ They search for shamrocks.

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6. Why is Saint Patrick's Day celebrated on March 17?
  - Ⓐ It's the day Saint Patrick was born.
  - Ⓑ It's the day Saint Patrick moved back to Ireland.
  - Ⓒ It's the day Saint Patrick became a bishop.
  - Ⓓ It's the day Saint Patrick died.
7. What happened right after Patrick finally returned to Ireland?
  - Ⓐ He passed away.
  - Ⓑ He became a priest and then a bishop.
  - Ⓒ The Catholic Church made him the Patron Saint of Ireland.
  - Ⓓ He set up schools and churches.
8. What are **customs**?
  - Ⓐ something people dress up in
  - Ⓑ new ways of doing something
  - Ⓒ traditional ways of doing something cultural
  - Ⓓ ideas of a certain group of people
9. Which detail supports the author's purpose?
  - Ⓐ Some people believe wearing green brings good luck.
  - Ⓑ Saint Patrick's Day celebrates the people and culture of Ireland.
  - Ⓒ Many people believe the shamrock is a kind of clover.
  - Ⓓ Green is on Ireland's flag.
10. Which of the following is a symbol of Ireland?
  - Ⓐ shamrock
  - Ⓑ heart
  - Ⓒ snakes
  - Ⓓ corned beef with cabbage
11. **Extended Response:** What are some examples of things people do to celebrate Saint Patrick's Day?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Saint Patrick's Day

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

1. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
2. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
3. Ⓒ *Fact or Opinion*
4. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
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7. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
10. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers will vary, but should include examples from the text such as the following:  
*parades, music, dancing, wearing green, eating Irish food (corned beef and cabbage, Irish stew, soda bread), making large buildings glow green, dressing in the colors of the Irish flag, decorating things with shamrocks, and so on.*