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

1. Why did the author say, "We are a nation moving on wheels"?
  - (A) There are so many cars and trucks in the United States.
  - (B) Many people own bikes, inline skates, and cars.
  - (C) People only travel by wheels in the United States.
  - (D) Cars were invented in the United States.
2. What is a problem that has resulted from so many cars being driven?
  - (A) Our air is not as clean as it was before there were cars.
  - (B) There are traffic jams and many accidents.
  - (C) Gasoline has become very expensive.
  - (D) All of the above
3. Something **foreign** is something \_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) that is made in a different country
  - (B) that is made on an assembly line
  - (C) that is very expensive
  - (D) that cannot be easily found
4. What needed to be invented before the automobile could be built?
  - (A) wheels
  - (B) engines
  - (C) carriages
  - (D) all of the above
5. Why do most cars use a gasoline engine for power?
  - (A) These engines don't pollute the air.
  - (B) Gasoline is very cheap to use.
  - (C) These engines are small and powerful.
  - (D) No other kind of engine can be used.

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6. What resulted from Henry Ford's use of the assembly line?
  - Ⓐ Cars could be built cheaper.
  - Ⓑ More and more people bought cars.
  - Ⓒ Many more roads had to be built.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
7. The only people who had cars at first were \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ inventors
  - Ⓑ Americans
  - Ⓒ rich
  - Ⓓ living in a city
8. How did people travel before animals were used?
  - Ⓐ They rode trains.
  - Ⓑ They walked.
  - Ⓒ They didn't travel.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
9. What happened after the first car was made, but before most people bought one?
  - Ⓐ A Frenchman invented the Model T car.
  - Ⓑ The hybrid engine was made.
  - Ⓒ The gasoline engine could be cheaply built.
  - Ⓓ People became worried about clean air.
10. What does **manufacture** mean?
  - Ⓐ to be invented
  - Ⓑ to be made
  - Ⓒ to be worn out
  - Ⓓ to be worthless
11. **Extended Response:** How did people travel before and after cars were invented?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## A Nation on Wheels

Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
2. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
5. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
7. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
9. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary. Sample:  
*People traveled on elephants  
or other animals before wheels  
were invented. Now they can  
travel in cars.*