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

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| <p>1. What is the main idea of the book?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ People are working to make sure wild horses are protected and can always run free. Ⓑ Wild horses are horses that run free. Many wild horses still roam the West. Ⓒ Most wild horses live in the West, but two herds live on the East Coast of the country. Ⓓ Wild horses live in herds. An adult male horse, or a stallion, leads the herd. | <p>2. What event happened before wild horses could roam the American West?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Spanish explorers brought their horses when they crossed the Atlantic Ocean. Ⓑ People created horse sanctuaries to take in horses that were abandoned or had no home. Ⓒ The country passed a law in 1971 to protect wild horses from harm from humans. Ⓓ Settlers used the horses to help with the hard work of making new homes in the West. <p>3. What does the word tame mean?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ to release into the wild Ⓑ to drive into the open Ⓒ to work in farms and fields Ⓓ to bring under control |
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4. Which of the following details expresses an opinion?
 - Ⓐ Wild horses travel in herds across the plains.
 - Ⓑ An adult male stallion leads each herd.
 - Ⓒ Horse sanctuaries take in wild horses.
 - Ⓓ Herds of wild horses are the most beautiful sight.
5. What text feature helps the reader find the words from the glossary in the book?
 - Ⓐ the index
 - Ⓑ captions
 - Ⓒ bold print
 - Ⓓ subheadings
6. Which of the following is a fact from the section "Life of a Wild Horse"?
 - Ⓐ Native Americans and cowboys are credited with taming some of the wild horses.
 - Ⓑ Young females leave their herds to become the mates of new stallions.
 - Ⓒ Thanks to the Wild Free-Roaming Act, thousands of wild horses roam free.
 - Ⓓ Helicopters help to herd horses to areas where they can roam freely.
7. What is the difference between a mare and a stallion?
 - Ⓐ One is a horse, one is a donkey.
 - Ⓑ One is female, one is male.
 - Ⓒ One is brown, one is white.
 - Ⓓ One is old, one is young.

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8. How does the map on page 5 help the reader understand the book?
- Ⓐ It reinforces the fact that wild horses are still roaming in the West.
 - Ⓑ It traces the path of a journey across the West described in the book.
 - Ⓒ It visually describes the origins of wild horses in the United States.
 - Ⓓ It locates all the places wild horses have been in the Americas.
9. A **sanctuary** is a _____ for people or animals.
- Ⓐ silly play
 - Ⓑ stretch of land
 - Ⓒ safe place
 - Ⓓ name of a group

10. What is the author's purpose for writing this book?
- Ⓐ to entertain readers with wild horse stories
 - Ⓑ to persuade readers to buy horses
 - Ⓒ to entertain readers with jokes about horses
 - Ⓓ to inform readers about wild horses
11. **Extended Response:** What details support the author's point that wild horses need protection? Describe an additional detail of your own that would also support this main idea.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Wild Horses*Main Comprehension Skill: Fact or Opinion*

1. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
3. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Fact or Opinion*
5. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓑ *Fact or Opinion*
7. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
9. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓓ *Author's Purpose*
11. Answers should describe details from the book supporting the point that wild horses need protection. Answers will conclude with a detail of the student's own choosing that supports this point.