

Quick Check Hoofed Animals

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

- 1. To what part of the human body does the author compare hooves?
  - (A) toenails
  - B bones
  - © feet
  - (II) knees
- **2.** What is the main purpose of hooves?
  - (A) speed
  - ® beauty
  - © companionship
  - D protection
- 3. Most predators are \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) ungulates
  - (B) browsers
  - (C) carnivores
  - (D) wolves

- **4.** How are horses and rhinoceroses alike?
  - A They have a single toe on each foot.
  - B They have two toes on each foot.
  - ① They have an odd number of toes on each foot.
  - ① They have twelve toes altogether.
- **5.** What was the author's main purpose for writing *Hoofed Animals*?
  - A to persuade the reader to help protect endangered ungulates
  - B to inform the reader about different ungulates
  - © to entertain the reader with a story about animals
  - ① to compare how different ungulates survive



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- 6. Read this sentence from the book: Pronghorn antelopes are herbivores that inhabit the grasslands of North America. What is an herbivore?
  - A an animal that eats plants
  - B an animal that hunts at night
  - (C) an animal that eats meat
  - an animal that eats both meat and plants

- 7. Which of the following tells the author's point of view about hoofed animals?
  - (A) Hoofed animals are among the most graceful creatures on Earth. Large, powerful, and designed for speed, they are beautiful and fascinating.
  - B A human foot has five separate bones connecting the toes to the ankle, but many hoofed animals instead have one long, solid bone connecting the toes (hoof) to the ankle.
  - © All wild zebras live in Africa, and they primarily eat tall grasses. Aside from their famous stripes, zebras are similar to horses in appearance.
  - ① Cattle, sheep, goats, and antelopes vary widely in shape and coloring; however, they all share the feature of growing permanent horns made of bone and covered with a layer of keratin.



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- 8. Read this sentence from the book: The "wild" horses living in North and South America and Australia are actually domesticated breeds that have escaped human control and grown wild. What is the meaning of the word domesticated?
  - (A) of or relating to animals that are raised for human use

  - © of or relating to animals that grow up with no human interaction
  - ① of or relating to animals that feed on grass or other plants
- **9.** In what way are the hooves of an antelope and the horn of a rhinoceros alike?
  - (A) they are shaped similarly
  - (B) they serve the same purpose
  - the rhinoceros has the same number of each
  - ① they are made of the same material

- 10. Where do most rhinoceroses live?
  - (A) in the wild
  - (B) in the water
  - (C) on protected land
  - ① on farms
- 11. Extended Response: What role do many ungulates play in the lives of humans?
- **12. Extended Response:** Why do scientists refer to even-toed ungulates as "successful" animals?

## LEVEL W

## **Quick Check Answer Sheet**

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Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

- **1.** (A) Compare and Contrast
- 2. (D) Main Idea and Details
- 3. (C) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **4.** © Compare and Contrast
- **5. B** Author's Purpose
- **6.** A Vocabulary
- 7. A Author's Point of View
- **8.** (A) Vocabulary
- **9.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- **10.** (C) Compare and Contrast
- 11. Answers will vary. Example: People depend on ungulates in many ways. Ungulates help people stay healthy and warm by giving them milk, meat, and wool. People use domesticated ungulates for labor, transportation, and companionship.
- 12. Answers will vary. Example:

  When scientists refer to even-toed ungulates as "successful," they mean that there are a lot of even-toed ungulates on Earth. Even-toed ungulates are very adaptable. Over time, they have spread to many different habitats.