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

1. What is the author's purpose in writing this book?
 - Ⓐ to entertain readers with stories about famous people
 - Ⓑ to inform readers about the history of Central and South America
 - Ⓒ to inform readers about the lives and accomplishments of famous Hispanic Americans
 - Ⓓ to persuade readers to visit Central and South America
2. In 2009, Sonia Sotomayor _____.
 - Ⓐ started a charity for children and the elderly
 - Ⓑ became the first Hispanic judge on the Supreme Court
 - Ⓒ was the first Hispanic women to go into space
 - Ⓓ published her first book
3. What caused many people to leave Cuba in the 1960s?
 - Ⓐ People wanted to be professional athletes in the United States.
 - Ⓑ People were kicked out of the country and not allowed to return.
 - Ⓒ People were bored of Cuba and wanted an adventure.
 - Ⓓ People were concerned for their freedom and future because of the new government.
4. Which word does not describe Roberto Garza?
 - Ⓐ determined
 - Ⓑ hard-working
 - Ⓒ selfish
 - Ⓓ charitable

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5. _____ is a way of life or tradition that is passed down from generation to generation.
 - Ⓐ Heritage
 - Ⓑ Opportunity
 - Ⓒ Decent
 - Ⓓ Achievement
6. Which of the following was one of Luis W. Alvarez's accomplishments?
 - Ⓐ He started many charities in the United States.
 - Ⓑ He starred in several movies.
 - Ⓒ He was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics.
 - Ⓓ He wrote a book about his life.
7. After a person passes the naturalization test, he or she must _____.
 - Ⓐ learn the Pledge of Allegiance
 - Ⓑ take the U.S. Oath of Allegiance
 - Ⓒ never return to their homeland
 - Ⓓ get a job in the United States
8. A person is automatically a U.S. citizen if _____.
 - Ⓐ he or she is at least eighteen years old
 - Ⓑ he or she takes the naturalization test
 - Ⓒ he or she is born in the United States
 - Ⓓ he or she takes the U.S. Oath of Allegiance
9. If a group of people is **diverse**, the group is _____.
 - Ⓐ made up of people who fight with each other
 - Ⓑ made up of all kinds of people
 - Ⓒ made of young people and children
 - Ⓓ made up of people who are all the same

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10. The graph on page 6 shows _____.

- Ⓐ the number of Hispanic Americans in the United States has decreased
- Ⓑ the number of Hispanic Americans in the United States has increased greatly
- Ⓒ the number of Hispanic Americans in the United States has stayed the same
- Ⓓ the number of Hispanic Americans in the United States cannot be accurately counted

11. **Extended Response:** How have Hispanic Americans contributed to making the United States a unique country? Use examples from the text to support your answer.

12. **Extended Response:** What qualities and personality traits do many of the famous Hispanic Americans discussed in the book share? Use details from the text to support your answer.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Famous Hispanic Americans: A Proud Heritage

Main Comprehension Skill: Elements of a Biography

1. Ⓒ Author's Purpose
2. Ⓑ Elements of Biography
3. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
4. Ⓒ Elements of Biography
5. Ⓐ Vocabulary
6. Ⓒ Elements of Biography
7. Ⓑ Sequence Events
8. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
9. Ⓑ Vocabulary
10. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
11. Answers will vary but should include the following details from the text: *the Hispanic Americans described in this book come from all kinds of cultural backgrounds and have contributed to the culture of the United States through arts, science, sports, medicine, and so on.*
12. Answers will vary but should include the following qualities: *many of the people described in the book share the qualities of creativity, determination, compassion, hard work, and so on.* Answers should also include details from the text to support the qualities mentioned in the answer.