

## Quick Check

## Fantastic Flying Machines

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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

1. Who designed the first helicopter?
  - Ⓐ George Washington
  - Ⓑ Orville Wright
  - Ⓒ Leonardo da Vinci
  - Ⓓ George Cayley
2. The first passengers in a hot-air balloon were \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ the president and his wife
  - Ⓑ a sheep, rooster, and a duck
  - Ⓒ the balloon's inventor and dog
  - Ⓓ two monkeys
3. How long did Orville Wright fly on Dec. 17, 1903?
  - Ⓐ five minutes
  - Ⓑ one hour
  - Ⓒ twenty seconds
  - Ⓓ one minute
4. Why would a plane used to spray crops not need to have a jet engine?
  - Ⓐ It doesn't carry a lot of people.
  - Ⓑ It doesn't need to go very high or fast.
  - Ⓒ It doesn't need to be very safe.
  - Ⓓ It doesn't fly very often.
5. How are blimps and hot-air balloons different?
  - Ⓐ Hot-air balloons can't be steered.
  - Ⓑ Blimps have no engines.
  - Ⓒ Hot-air balloons can carry heavy equipment.
  - Ⓓ Hot-air balloons fly faster than blimps.

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6. How are blimps and hot-air balloons alike?
  - Ⓐ They can't be steered.
  - Ⓑ They are used for crop dusting.
  - Ⓒ They can carry very heavy equipment.
  - Ⓓ They fly slowly.
7. Which of the following aircraft has no engine?
  - Ⓐ helicopter
  - Ⓑ blimp
  - Ⓒ hang glider
  - Ⓓ the Space Shuttle
8. Something that is **sleek** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ long and narrow
  - Ⓑ heavy
  - Ⓒ wide and open
  - Ⓓ colorful
9. Which word means *to float without direction*?
  - Ⓐ soar
  - Ⓑ steer
  - Ⓒ blimp
  - Ⓓ drift
10. Before the Wright brothers built their airplane, they \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ built a submarine
  - Ⓑ studied other people's ideas
  - Ⓒ built a car
  - Ⓓ invented the parachute
11. **Extended Response:** What is one way that the flying machines in this book are alike and one way they are different?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

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*Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details*

1. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓐ *Compare and Contrast*
6. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
7. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
11. Answers will vary but should include valid similarities and differences.