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

- 1. Why did the Germans build bunkers on Jacques's farm?
  - (A) to hide tanks
  - (B) for soldiers to live in
  - © to hide guns for shooting boats
  - ① to keep food in that they stole from Jacques's father
- 2. What did it mean when the stranger scrutinized Jacques's face?
  - (A) the stranger glanced at it
  - **B** the stranger studied it
  - (C) the stranger became fearful of it
  - the stranger avoided looking at it

- **3.** Why did the French Resistance like using the blackout material on windows?
  - (A) It helped save on electricity.
  - B It kept bombs from hitting them.
  - (C) It kept Germans from finding them.
  - It kept the sunlight from shining on them.
- **4.** Why did Jacques have a "vacant" look in his eyes on page 5?
  - A Jacques was blind.
  - (B) Jacques was confused.
  - (C) Jacques was being cautious.
  - ① Jacques was looking far away.



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- 5. Aimee "scanned the interior of the barn for potential hiding spots." What does this tell you about Aimee?
  - (A) She likes to take risks.
  - B She has a high opinion of herself.
  - © She tries to plan for future events.
  - She doesn't like Jacques or Pierre.
- **6.** Why did Jacques want to look helpless to the Germans at the end of the story?
  - A He didn't want them to suspect he was part of the French Resistance.
  - B He wanted them to help Aimee and him get home.
  - ① He wanted to send them a secret message.
  - D He didn't want them to know he was going to church in the morning.

7.	If something	is <b>clandestine</b>
	it is	

- (A) secret
- B difficult
- (C) known to many
- ① done in a noisy way
- 8. How are Pierre and Aimee alike?
  - (A) They want to be part of the German force.
  - B They feel too frightened by the Germans to help out.
  - © They are brave and committed to helping the French people.
  - ① All of the above
- **9.** Why did Pierre send his message over the radio for nine minutes?
  - (A) The radio quit after nine minutes.
  - B He had nine minutes of information to send.
  - © England could only receive a message for nine minutes.
  - ① The Germans could find their location after nine minutes.

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- **10.** From this story, you can tell that Jacques \_\_\_\_\_\_.
  - (A) has a good memory
  - B opposes the German occupation
  - (is willing to do dangerous things to help France
  - ① all of the above
- 11. Extended Response: Of the three main characters in this story, who would you most like to have been and why?
- 12. Extended Response: This story took place more than sixty years ago. Would it be likely for this story to happen today? Explain two reasons why or why not.

## LEVEL Z

## **Quick Check Answer Sheet**

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Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

- **1.** (C) Cause and Effect
- **2. B** Vocabulary
- **3. (**C) Cause and Effect
- **4.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **5.** ① Analyze Character
- **6.** A Analyze Character
- 7. A Vocabulary
- **8.** © Compare and Contrast
- **9.** (D) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **10.** (D) Analyze Character
- 11. Answers will vary.
- 12. Answers will vary, but would likely include two of the following reasons: no, this story is not likely to happen today because the Allies won World War II, France is not controlled by Germany, there is no longer a French Resistance, the Nazis would not build bunkers in France today, there would not be people transmitting secret messages to the Allies from France.