

Quick Check

Morty and the Mousetown Gazette

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. What did Ben do that made him such a good newspaper carrier?
 - Ⓐ He always delivered the papers on time.
 - Ⓑ He was friendly to his customers.
 - Ⓒ He gave a discount for the papers.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
2. How did Morty become a newspaper carrier?
 - Ⓐ He applied for the job.
 - Ⓑ His uncle called and asked if he wanted to be one.
 - Ⓒ His friend Ben was leaving town and asked him to take over for him.
 - Ⓓ He read about the job in the Help Wanted section of the newspaper.
3. Which word means *someone who signs up to have a newspaper delivered to them*?
 - Ⓐ guarantee
 - Ⓑ subscriber
 - Ⓒ substitute
 - Ⓓ panic
4. What happened to Morty before his first day as a newspaper carrier?
 - Ⓐ He didn't sleep and got up before his alarm went off.
 - Ⓑ He slept too late and couldn't get all the papers delivered on time.
 - Ⓒ He stayed up all night watching television and fell asleep when it was time to leave.
 - Ⓓ He forgot what time he was supposed to get up to deliver the papers.

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5. Why was Ben extra concerned about turning over his route to someone?
- Ⓐ He was hoping to earn lots of tips from his customers.
 - Ⓑ He wanted to win a trip to Magic Mouseland by having a perfect record.
 - Ⓒ He didn't want his customers to receive their papers late.
 - Ⓓ He knew that he would be fired if there were days the papers didn't get delivered.
6. Why was Morty relieved that he wouldn't be hired as a newspaper carrier?
- Ⓐ He didn't like reading papers.
 - Ⓑ He wanted a job working in an ice cream store.
 - Ⓒ He knew his parents didn't want him to have the job.
 - Ⓓ He thought it was too much work to be a newspaper carrier.
7. Morty had to do the route twice on the third day because _____.
- Ⓐ he had missed about half the houses
 - Ⓑ he was late getting the papers to the customers
 - Ⓒ it began to rain and he had to put some papers in plastic bags
 - Ⓓ he wanted to talk to the customers and apologize for being late
8. A refund is _____.
- Ⓐ a route to follow
 - Ⓑ money given back to a customer
 - Ⓒ a special customer
 - Ⓓ someone who collects money

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9. The first day of delivering papers took Morty two hours. Why?

- Ⓐ He got a flat tire on his bike.
- Ⓑ He kept getting lost on the route.
- Ⓒ He delivered half the papers to wrong houses and had to go back and get them all.
- Ⓓ He couldn't throw the papers to the right place and didn't know the route.

10. What would Morty likely have been saying to himself after he completed the route the first time?

- Ⓐ Geesh! Maybe this wasn't such a good idea!
- Ⓑ I hope I can get this done earlier tomorrow.
- Ⓒ I wish I could go back to bed.
- Ⓓ All of the above

11. **Extended Response:** Explain why the supervisor let Ben's record continue to be perfect.

12. **Extended Response:** What do you think Morty learned from this adventure?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

1. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
2. Ⓒ Story Elements
3. Ⓑ Vocabulary
4. Ⓐ Sequence Events
5. Ⓑ Story Elements
6. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
7. Ⓒ Story Elements
8. Ⓑ Vocabulary
9. Ⓓ Problem and Solution
10. Ⓓ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
11. Answers should include the following idea: *it was Morty who hadn't delivered the papers on time, not Ben, so the supervisor wouldn't count it against Ben.*
12. Answers will vary somewhat but likely will include one of the following ideas: *if he says he will do something, he needs to make sure he actually does it; he needs to make sure he doesn't let his friends down; he needs to be more responsible.*