

Quick Check Trick or Treat?

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

- 1. What was a main purpose the author had for writing this book?
 - A to explain to readers how UNICEF is organized
 - B to teach students a lesson about doing the right thing
 - © to answer a question about the history of Halloween
 - ① to persuade readers to do whatever it takes to get what they want
- 2. The author includes real information about UNICEF to _____.
 - A explain why Mike wants the spy kit
 - (B) describe Aster's costume
 - © prove that Aster doesn't always think ahead
 - show why giving money to UNICEF is important

- 3. Read this sentence from the story: "I'm not gonna threaten my sister," Mike muttered. What does threaten mean?
 - A to ignore someone to make that person think you are a mean person
 - **(B)** to act in a very childish way
 - © to say that you will harm someone in order to make that person do what you want
 - ① to take something from someone while that person is not looking

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- **4.** What conclusion can you draw about Mike's character on the basis of his actions in the story?
 - A He may sometimes make the wrong choice but eventually will do what is right.
 - B He will do anything to get what he wants, even if it hurts other people.
 - © He does what other people say to do, even if he knows it is wrong.
 - ① He is mean to his sister even though she is nice to him.
- **5.** Which event occurs last in the story?
 - A Derek convinces Mike to steal Aster's UNICEF money.
 - B Mike has a nightmare about an angel and a devil.
 - Mike takes Aster's UNICEF money and replaces it with candy.
 - Mike puts money in the UNICEF container.

- **6.** What effect does stealing the UNICEF money have on Mike?
 - (A) He feels sad.
 - B He feels happy.
 - ① He feels guilty.
 - ① He feels mad.
- 7. Why does Mike put candy in Aster's UNICEF collection box?
 - A He wants to donate his candy to UNICEF.
 - B He doesn't want Aster to notice the money is gone when she picks up the box.
 - © He doesn't like those candies, so he doesn't mind donating them.
 - ① He wants Aster's teacher to give her extra money for the candy.

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- **8.** What could be one reason that Mike's parents are proud of him at the end of the story?
 - A They think Mike left his candy as a donation for Aster and UNICEF.
 - B They know Mike stole the money and then decided to put it back.
 - © They think Mike has forgotten about getting money for his Super Spy kit.
 - ① They believe Mike will start raising money for UNICEF like his sister.
- 9. Who is telling this story?
 - (A) Derek
 - (B) Mike
 - (C) a narrator
 - (D) Aster
- 10. In the story, Derek dresses up like Genghis Khan, a ruthless Mongolian warrior. What is another word for ruthless?
 - (A) smart
 - ® thoughtful
 - © responsible
 - ① cruel

- 11. Extended Response: How would the story change if Mike had made a different choice at the end?
- **12. Extended Response:** How is Mike different from Derek? Explain.

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Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

- **1.** (B) Author's Purpose
- **2.** D Author's Purpose
- 3. (i) Vocabulary
- **4.** A Analyze Character
- **5.** ① Sequence Events
- **6.** (C) Cause and Effect
- 7. (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **8.** (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **9.** (C) Character Point of View
- **10.** D Vocabulary
- 11. Answers will vary but should use clues from the story to make predictions about how the story would have been different. Sample answer: Mike might have kept the money instead of returning it, and then he would have enough money to buy the spy kit from Derek. Derek would be proud that Mike followed his advice. Aster would be disappointed that all her hard work collecting money was for nothing, as she now had no money to donate. Mike might have had conflicting feelings about having the spy kit, knowing that he stole from his sister to get what he wanted.
- 12. Answers will vary but should use clues from the story to explain the differences between Mike and Derek. Sample answer: Derek seems cold and calculating, doing whatever it takes to get what he wants, while Mike would rather do what's right than steal or hurt his sister.