

## Quick Check

## Noni and the Book Ban

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

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

1. Why does Mrs. McGuinness ask Noni to join the book review committee?
  - Ⓐ Noni is Mrs. McGuinness's favorite and smartest student.
  - Ⓑ Noni has read the series and is interested in freedom of speech.
  - Ⓒ Noni has read every book in the series and enjoys all of them.
  - Ⓓ Noni has been on committees before and is very good at it.
2. How are Noni and Miguel similar?
  - Ⓐ They both work on the *Whitmore Weekly*.
  - Ⓑ They both enjoy the Sergeant Rotten Teeth series.
  - Ⓒ They both do not enjoy working with Ashley.
  - Ⓓ They both write an email to Dan Eaton about the book ban.
3. What kind of librarian is Mrs. McGuinness?
  - Ⓐ unkind and strict
  - Ⓑ hesitant and quiet
  - Ⓒ uninformed and indifferent
  - Ⓓ intelligent and encouraging
4. Read this sentence from the story: *"These books deserve our strictest **scrutiny** because they are in the school library—books that students are choosing for themselves."* **Scrutiny** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ making something unavailable to the public
  - Ⓑ passing a law
  - Ⓒ examining something closely and carefully
  - Ⓓ arguing among a group of people who disagree

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5. What does Noni do after she writes an email to Dan Eaton?
  - Ⓐ Noni begins to read the Sergeant Rotten Teeth series.
  - Ⓑ Noni interviews Mrs. McGuinness about the missing series.
  - Ⓒ Noni tries to interview the kids dressed like zombies.
  - Ⓓ Noni decides to write an article for the school newspaper.
6. What is the effect of Dan Eaton's email?
  - Ⓐ Miguel is excited because Dan Eaton wrote that he will visit the school.
  - Ⓑ Ashley changes her mind and supports the books being in the library.
  - Ⓒ Noni learns more about the First Amendment.
  - Ⓓ Mrs. McGuinness decides to allow the books in the library.
7. *Different people's points of view* are called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ petitions
  - Ⓑ issues
  - Ⓒ perspectives
  - Ⓓ intolerances
8. By the end of the story, how does Noni feel about the Sergeant Rotten Teeth series?
  - Ⓐ She dislikes the books but thinks they should be in the library.
  - Ⓑ She likes the books and thinks they should be in the library.
  - Ⓒ She likes the books but does not think they should be in the library.
  - Ⓓ She dislikes the books and does not want them in the library.
9. *An idea that is supported by a group of people* is called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ a series
  - Ⓑ a story
  - Ⓒ a cause
  - Ⓓ a comment

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10. How does Noni feel at the end of the story?
- Ⓐ proud
  - Ⓑ confused
  - Ⓒ excited
  - Ⓓ disappointed
11. **Extended Response:** Why is “voluntary inquiry” important for students?
12. **Extended Response:** What is the school book committee, and why is it an effective means to choose which books are placed in the library?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. **(B)** *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
2. **(A)** *Compare and Contrast*
3. **(D)** *Analyze Character*
4. **(C)** *Vocabulary*
5. **(C)** *Sequence Events*
6. **(C)** *Cause and Effect*
7. **(C)** *Vocabulary*
8. **(A)** *Analyze Character*
9. **(C)** *Vocabulary*
10. **(A)** *Analyze Character*
11. Answers should include the following:  
*"Voluntary inquiry" is important because it affords the opportunity for students to think, question, and decide issues for themselves. Voluntary inquiry promotes critical thinking and invites students to dig deeper.*
12. Answers will vary but may include the following: *The school book committee is a small group of people who consider the content of the book as well as people's perspectives regarding the content of the book and determine if it is appropriate for students to read. This type of committee is effective because it considers all sides of the argument and then makes an informed decision.*