

Quick Check Pyramids

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

- 1. Which of the following is not true about the location of pyramids?
 - A Pyramids were built on soft ground.
 - B Pyramids were built on rocky ground.
 - © Pyramids were built near the Nile River.
 - ① None of the above
- 2. What did embalmers do?
 - A They developed new ways to build more complicated passages in pyramids.
 - B They taught young people how to build pyramids in the traditional ways.
 - © They hunted down the thieves and robbers of the pyramids and brought them to trial.
 - ① They removed the insides of dead people and wrapped the people in linen.

- **3.** How are hieroglyphics like an alphabet?
 - A Both are forms of written language.
 - B Both communicate thoughts and ideas.
 - (C) Both are creations of people.
 - ① All of the above
- **4.** What did the priest do before the dead pharaoh was buried?
 - (A) mummified the body
 - B carried items to the tomb
 - © opened the body's mouth
 - (D) all of the above
- **5.** What did the pyramid builders do to keep thieves from stealing the treasures?
 - (A) They built a series of deadend passageways.
 - B They blocked the entrance to the real tomb.
 - ① They made empty chambers.
 - (D) All of the above



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- 6. Which of the following might be a reason why King Tutankhamun's tomb was the only burial of a king found intact?
 - A The tomb had a large stone in front of its entrance.
 - (B) The tomb was far away from where the other tombs were.
 - © The tomb was underground and not built in a pyramid.
 - (D) All of the above
- 7. Which is a difference between the pyramids in Central and South America, and those in Egypt?
 - A Some in Central and South America have been rebuilt over other pyramids.
 - B Some in Central and South America don't have tombs inside.
 - © All the pyramids in Central and South America had massive amounts of treasure inside.
 - ① All of the above

- **8.** Why was the Nile River important to the ancient Egyptians?
 - (A) It provided fish to eat.
 - B It supplied water to irrigate crops.
 - (C) It served as a waterway for boats.
 - ① All of the above
- 9. Which of the following "Seven Wonders of the Ancient World" still stands?
 - (A) Great Pyramid Temple
 - **B** King Tutankhamun's tomb
 - © King Zoser's pyramid at Saqqâra
 - ① Great Pyramid of Khufu at Giza
- **10.** How were the step pyramids different from the straight-sided pyramids?
 - (A) They had smaller stairways.
 - B They had two sets of small stairs up the sides.
 - (C) They had giant stairways.
 - ① None of the above



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11. Extended Response: Why do historians now think that the Egyptian pyramids were not built mostly by slaves?

12. Extended Response: The book states that Ancient Egypt was an amazing civilization. What are three facts that support this idea?

LEVEL V

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

- **1.** (A) Main Idea and Details
- **2.** ① Vocabulary
- **3.** ① Compare and Contrast
- **4.** © Sequence Events
- **5.** (D) Cause and Effect
- **6.** (C) Cause and Effect
- **7. B** Compare and Contrast
- **8.** (D) Cause and Effect
- **9.** ① Main Idea and Details
- **10.** (C) Compare and Contrast
- 11. Answers will vary but should include the following fact: evidence shows that the workers were highly skilled and were treated well.
- 12. Answers will vary but would likely include the following: the Egyptians had a very complex society, they built beautiful and complicated pyramids, they had many riches and art objects, they had a written language, they knew how to use the Nile River to their advantage, they knew how to use the stars, they developed a process for mummifying a corpse, they had a belief in the afterlife, and they carved beautiful statues.