



Quick Check

What Do You Think About Climate Change?

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

- **1.** What is considered evidence that Earth's surface is warming?
 - (A) Temperature increases of Earth's surface are on record.
 - B Glaciers are smaller today compared to one hundred years ago.
 - © Ice around both the North and South Poles is melting.
 - ① All of the above
- 2. What are greenhouse gases?
 - A the process by which heat is trapped inside Earth's atmosphere by gases
 - B the dirt or debris in the air, in water, or on the ground that causes something to become unclean
 - (i) the gases that cool Earth's surface temperature
 - the gases in Earth's atmosphere that trap heat and contribute to global warming

- **3.** What has caused the average sea level around the world to rise?
 - A The amount of annual rainfall is increasing.
 - B Land is sinking into the oceans.
 - © Ice on land is melting and flowing into the ocean.
 - ① All of the above
- **4.** Why would a country support the Kyoto Protocol?
 - A The country believes there is no threat from the greenhouse effect.
 - B The country wants other countries to know that it wants to stop industrialization.
 - © The country believes that climate changes likely will be harmful to Earth and its people.
 - ① All of the above



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- 5. Which of the following best states the main idea of the section titled "What Is Being Done About Climate Change?"
 - A Hydropower is replacing the burning of fossil fuels.
 - B Many countries are trying different solutions to prevent climate change.
 - © Industrialized countries are reducing the number of power plants they are building.
 - ① The Kyoto Protocol was signed by many countries.
- **6.** What could be a negative effect of global warming?
 - (A) More tornadoes could occur.
 - B Diseases could spread more quickly.
 - © More food shortages could occur.
 - ① All of the above

- 7. In addition to the increase in Earth's temperature, what other significant global event has happened during the past 150 years?
 - A The Arctic ice sheet has increased in thickness.
 - B The amount of carbon dioxide in the air has increased.
 - © Many types of animals are having an easier time finding food.
 - ① More trees are growing around the equator.
- **8.** How does planting trees reduce the greenhouse effect?
 - (A) Trees remove carbon dioxide from the atmosphere.
 - B Trees reflect sunlight back into space.
 - © Tree roots trap moisture in the soil.
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- 9. What makes renewable energy different from nonrenewable energy?
 - A Renewable energy is not depleted by use.
 - B Renewable energy uses fossil fuels.
 - © Renewable energy gives off greenhouse gases.
 - ① All of the above
- 10. What could happen to cities along coasts, such as Boston and New York City, if sea levels rise too high?
 - A The cities would not be affected.
 - B The cities could be flooded and destroyed.
 - ① The cities could gain new beaches and wildlife.
 - (D) None of the above
- 11. Extended Response: What are two things you can do to help prevent more global warming?
- **12. Extended Response:** Explain how the greenhouse effect increases global warming.



LEVEL Y

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

- **1.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- **2.** ① Vocabulary
- **3.** (C) Cause and Effect
- **4.** (C) Make Inferences
- **5. (B)** Main Idea and Details
- **6.** (D) Cause and Effect
- 7. B Main Idea and Details
- **8.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **9.** A Compare and Contrast
- **10.** (B) Cause and Effect
- **11.** Answers will vary. Example: *I can try to use less electricity and ride my bike instead of having my dad take me to school.*
- 12. Answers should explain the following process: Sunlight that strikes Earth gives off heat that normally flows out into space; greenhouse gases in the atmosphere bounce some of the heat back toward Earth's surface; the greenhouse gases trap the heat near Earth's surface, causing temperatures to rise.