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

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| <p>1. What makes this book an informational biography?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ It is a factual book that gives information about real events.</li> <li>Ⓑ It is a fictional story about a person.</li> <li>Ⓒ It is written from the imagination of the writer.</li> <li>Ⓓ All of the above</li> </ul> <p>2. The death of Nelson's father when he was nine caused him to _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ become angry and troubled</li> <li>Ⓑ go to college</li> <li>Ⓒ move to another village with his mother</li> <li>Ⓓ run away to the mountains</li> </ul> <p>3. When people in Johannesburg <b>boycotted</b> the buses, they _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ refused to ride them</li> <li>Ⓑ stood in front of them so they couldn't drive</li> <li>Ⓒ smashed the windows out</li> <li>Ⓓ planted bombs on them</li> </ul> | <p>4. How did Mandela finally get out of prison?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ The prison rioted, and Mandela escaped.</li> <li>Ⓑ A new president was elected, and he released Mandela.</li> <li>Ⓒ Mandela served his full term and did not get out of prison.</li> <li>Ⓓ The government released all the prisoners.</li> </ul> <p>5. After Mandela was released from prison, he _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ⓐ won the Nobel Peace Prize</li> <li>Ⓑ organized free elections</li> <li>Ⓒ became president of South Africa</li> <li>Ⓓ all of the above</li> </ul> |
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6. What did Nelson Mandela do when he retired from the presidency of South Africa?
  - Ⓐ He worked with world leaders to advance peace around the world.
  - Ⓑ He went back to herding sheep and cattle.
  - Ⓒ He moved to America to continue the civil rights movement.
  - Ⓓ He traveled and enjoyed his retirement.
7. What is one way that Nelson Mandela was different from Martin Luther King Jr.?
  - Ⓐ Mandela fought for equal rights for black citizens.
  - Ⓑ Mandela decided that violence was needed to bring about change.
  - Ⓒ Mandela organized protests and boycotts.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
8. What did Mandela learn from Chief Jongintaba that helped him be successful?
  - Ⓐ how to work hard and herd animals
  - Ⓑ strength and stamina
  - Ⓒ competitiveness and power
  - Ⓓ how to listen and be a leader
9. Read this sentence: *Nelson Mandela wanted all races to be treated with **dignity**.* What is another word for **dignity**?
  - Ⓐ kindness
  - Ⓑ fear
  - Ⓒ respect
  - Ⓓ happiness
10. What was the author's purpose for writing this book?
  - Ⓐ to explain the history of South Africa
  - Ⓑ to persuade readers to visit Nelson Mandela's homeland
  - Ⓒ to inform readers about the life and work of Nelson Mandela
  - Ⓓ to describe apartheid

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**11. Extended Response:** What do you think was Nelson Mandela's most important accomplishment? Why?

**12. Extended Response:** Do you think Nelson Mandela's influence on others was always a positive influence? Explain your answer.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Nelson Mandela

*Main Comprehension Skill: Elements of a Biography*

1. Ⓐ *Identify Genre*
2. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
6. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓒ *Author's Purpose*
11. Answers will vary but should discuss one of Mandela's accomplishments.
12. Answers will vary according to opinions but should include conclusions drawn from the book.