



Quick Check Sacagawea

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

- **1.** What is the author's purpose for writing this biography?
 - A to inform readers about Native American tribes
 - B to entertain readers with jokes about traveling
 - © to inform readers about Sacagawea's life
 - ① to persuade readers to learn to speak Shoshone
- **2.** Her courage and her strength are both examples of Sacagawea's ______.
 - (A) personality
 - (B) accomplishments
 - (C) influence
 - ① ancestors

- 3. In the "Growth of the United States," the author explains the size of the United States in 1803 and the Louisiana Purchase in order to ______.
 - A prove to the reader that Sacagawea was an important part of our history
 - B improve the reader's understanding of American geography
 - © clarify the tension between Native American tribes in that area
 - explain to readers the importance of the Lewis and Clark expedition
- **4.** Which of the following words means to use force to take someone away?
 - (A) interpret
 - B guide
 - © navigate
 - ① kidnap

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- 5. Which of the following is the topic of the section "Sacagawea's Roots"?
 - A the growing land and territory of the United States
 - B Sacagawea's childhood and early experiences
 - © the importance of the Corps of Discovery exploration
 - Sacagawea's trials and challenges on the expedition
- **6.** What caused Sacagawea to hug Cameahwait and cry?
 - (A) She was grateful for his help.
 - B She was begging him for mercy.
 - © She recognized him as her brother.
 - ① She wanted him to rescue her.

- 7. Which of the following details is an example of Sacagawea's influence?
 - A She was born the daughter of a Lemhi Shoshone chief in 1788 or 1789.
 - B She left a lasting mark on American history by guiding Lewis and Clark.
 - © She parted ways with Lewis and Clark in the Mandan village in 1806.
 - ① She saved most of their equipment from being swept away in the river.
- 8. Read the following sentence:
 Sacagawea showed character
 and courage in difficult
 circumstances. The word
 character means the
 ______ of a person.
 - (A) moral strength
 - B age
 - © extreme fear
 - ① height



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- **9.** How is the structure of the book similar to the structure of the timeline on page 15?
 - A both are organized by comparison
 - B both explore problem and solution
 - © both are organized chronologically
 - D both follow cause-and-effect relationships
- **10.** Which of the following was one of Sacagawea's accomplishments?
 - A She died at the age of twenty-five from a fever.
 - B She was captured by a group of Hidatsa and taken to live with them when she was twelve.
 - © She traveled to St. Louis in the fall of 1809.
 - ⑤ She successfully interpreted for Lewis and Clark in their negotiations with other tribes.

- 11. Extended Response: How does the authors' perspective on Sacagawea compare with opinions expressed about her by Lewis and Clark? Use at least four details from the book to explain how their opinions compare and contrast. Then, describe your own opinion on Sacagawea.
- 12. Extended Response: Why are maps so essential to Sacagawea's story? How do the maps on pages 3 and 5 help the reader understand the reason for Corps of Discovery and its mission?

LEVEL Y

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Elements of a Biography

- **1.** (C) Author's Purpose
- **2.** (A) Elements of a Biography
- **3.** (D) Author's Point of View
- **4.** ① Vocabulary
- **5. (B)** Main Idea and Details
- **6.** (C) Cause and Effect
- **7.** (B) Elements of a Biography
- **8.** (A) Vocabulary
- **9.** ① Text Structures
- **10.** D Elements of a Biography
- 11. Answers will vary. Example: The authors present evidence throughout the story that Sacagawea was a remarkable woman. In the introduction, the authors are clearly impressed when they describe examples of the hardships that Sacagawea endured and how she did it all while taking care of an infant. In the conclusion, they describe her as coming from the humblest of beginnings, yet displaying amazing courage and character when confronted with difficult circumstances. These details all indicate that the authors were impressed by Sacagawea and view her as a remarkable woman. This opinion was shared by Lewis and Clark. Several quotes by the men prove that they were impressed by Sacagawea. Lewis said she was equal to any man in fortitude and resolution. Clark wrote that she had been of great service. The explorers found her to be far more helpful than her husband.
- 12. Answers will vary. Example: Maps are important in a retelling of Sacagawea's life because of her involvement in the Lewis and Clark expedition. What made Sacagawea famous was her work in mapping part of this country. For example, the map on page 3 helps readers better understand the story by providing a visual representation of the journey the Corps of Discovery took.