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

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| <p>1. The events in the tunnel are part of the plot's _____.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ introduction Ⓑ rising action Ⓒ climax Ⓓ resolution <p>2. Which event in the story is the climax, or turning point?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ the fight against the weasels Ⓑ Mole returning with the stouts' rifles Ⓒ Toad's Last Little Song Ⓓ Rat and Badger giving Toad some advice <p>3. Which of the following pairs of words are antonyms?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ <i>ancestral</i> and <i>penitent</i> Ⓑ <i>boisterous</i> and <i>tumultuous</i> Ⓒ <i>melancholy</i> and <i>mirth</i> Ⓓ <i>bristling</i> and <i>brandishing</i> | <p>4. Which detail from the story shows that Toad has changed?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Toad falls into the river as he goes into the secret tunnel. Ⓑ Toad oversleeps and comes down late to breakfast. Ⓒ All the animals cheer when Toad enters the banquet. Ⓓ Toad decides not to sing his song at the banquet. <p>5. How is the change of setting to the banquet at Toad Hall important to the falling action of the story?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ Toad Hall is a comfortable home setting that resolves the suspense of earlier parts. Ⓑ Setting the ending at Toad Hall provides the opportunity to introduce new characters. Ⓒ Whether or not Toad will give a speech at the banquet increases the suspense. Ⓓ The banquet scene introduces new problems that the characters must overcome. |
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6. Why do the weasels compliment Toad during their toast?

- Ⓐ They are praising Toad because they know he is listening.
- Ⓑ They are sincerely praising Toad because they like him.
- Ⓒ They are praising Toad to make him act nicer to them.
- Ⓓ They are ironically praising Toad to make fun of him.

7. Why do Rat and Badger forbid Toad from singing even one little song at the banquet?

- Ⓐ because Toad's songs are always long and boring
- Ⓑ because they dislike Toad and want him to be unhappy
- Ⓒ because they are trying to help Toad think of others and be less proud
- Ⓓ because they are punishing Toad for past misbehavior

8. What does the word **carousing** mean?

- Ⓐ swinging or waving something
- Ⓑ teasing or annoying someone
- Ⓒ partying loudly and having fun
- Ⓓ taking away someone's property

9. Which of the following is the solution to one problem in this part of the story?

- Ⓐ Mole decides to change his ways and act more maturely.
- Ⓑ Badger discovers a secret tunnel.
- Ⓒ Toad and friends retake Toad Hall.
- Ⓓ The Wild Wooders decide to be nice.

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10. Which of the following events occurs last in the story?

- Ⓐ The weasels give a toast that mocks their host, Toad.
- Ⓑ Toad throws a banquet at Toad Hall.
- Ⓒ Badger leads the others in an attack on the weasels.
- Ⓓ Toad composes a song praising himself.

11. Extended Response: Write a response that compares the different ways that the four friends—Toad, Rat, Mole, and Badger—behave in the tunnel and the fight in Toad Hall. Then explain whether you think they make a good team, and justify your answer with details from the text.

12. Extended Response: Write a paragraph that describes what Toad’s song reveals about his character, and contrast that with what others think of him. Finally, explain your own opinion on Toad’s character.

1. Ⓑ *Analyze Plot*
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3. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
5. Ⓐ *Analyze Setting*
6. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
7. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
8. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓒ *Problem and Solution*
10. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
11. Answers will vary, but will use details from the text to compare how the animals behaved during the first part of the story. For example, in the tunnels Badger was serious and focused, while Toad kept making little mistakes and getting panicky. During the fight they were all fierce but in different ways. Mole shouted his war cry, Toad swelled up and whooped at the enemy, while Badger set about quietly cudgeling the weasels and Rat relied on his many weapons. Answers will then provide the student's thoughts on whether the four animals make a good team. For example, they do make a good team because Badger provides leadership, Toad is full of comic relief, Mole has good common sense, and Rat is the practical one that keeps peace between them all.
12. Answers will vary. Sample response: *Toad's song shows once again that Toad has a very high opinion of himself, that he is proud and quite a bit foolish. Toad clearly thinks that he is a dashing hero. This song also shows that he doesn't understand how others view him, always imagining that his friends practically worship him. In contrast, they really do like him but are merely tolerant of his ways and also often irritated with him. I think Toad is a silly fellow, but pretty funny and likable.*