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

1. What can you tell about Booker T. Washington from this autobiography?
 - Ⓐ He was a hard worker.
 - Ⓑ He was very intelligent.
 - Ⓒ He wanted to help others succeed.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
2. Why didn't Booker think his mom was a thief even though she stole chicken from the plantation owners?
 - Ⓐ The owners wanted her to have it.
 - Ⓑ She worked so hard as a slave and got so little.
 - Ⓒ Her children liked chicken, but hardly ever got it.
 - Ⓓ Both B and C
3. Why didn't Booker's mother have much time to care for her children?
 - Ⓐ She went to school all day.
 - Ⓑ As a slave, she had to work all day for the slave owner.
 - Ⓒ She liked to sleep during the day when they were awake.
 - Ⓓ She spent the whole day cleaning the house.
4. What is **manual labor**?
 - Ⓐ a plantation worker who watched the slaves
 - Ⓑ a job or skill
 - Ⓒ physical work
 - Ⓓ the ability to take care of yourself

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5. Why did the slaves want the slave owners to think that the "freedom" they sang about was about going to heaven?
 - Ⓐ They liked fooling people.
 - Ⓑ They were afraid of what the slave owners might do if they knew the slaves wanted to be free.
 - Ⓒ They didn't want the slave owners to feel left out.
 - Ⓓ They liked telling lies.
6. As a child, what did Booker feel he was treated like when he was fed?
 - Ⓐ white people
 - Ⓑ an animal
 - Ⓒ a baby
 - Ⓓ a slave owner
7. Read this sentence: *Booker was born on a **plantation** in Virginia.* What is a **plantation**?
 - Ⓐ a vacation house in the mountains
 - Ⓑ a place that grows sweet potatoes and corn
 - Ⓒ a place where workers live instead of in their own homes
 - Ⓓ a large farm where slaves do most of the work
8. What caused some slaves to worry about being free?
 - Ⓐ They would have to find homes.
 - Ⓑ They would have to provide for their children.
 - Ⓒ Some were very old and couldn't work.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
9. Which of the following events happened last?
 - Ⓐ Booker took corn to the mill.
 - Ⓑ Booker carried books for the white children.
 - Ⓒ Booker went to college.
 - Ⓓ President Lincoln signed the Emancipation Proclamation.

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10. Why do you think Booker thought that getting into the schoolhouse to study would be like getting into paradise?
- Ⓐ It looked like a perfect place for workers to live.
 - Ⓑ Booker wanted a chance to study and learn.
 - Ⓒ The schoolhouse was decorated with jewels.
 - Ⓓ Both A and C
11. **Extended Response:** Explain why the plantation owners had such a difficult time after the slaves were freed.
12. **Extended Response:** Explain three ways your life as a child has been different from Booker T. Washington's life as a child.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Up From Slavery

Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

1. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
2. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
5. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
6. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
7. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
9. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
10. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
11. Answers will vary, but should include the following: *The owners and their children had never learned how to do the work around the farm and house and so could not keep their plantations going. They felt like hard, manual work was something to be ashamed of doing.*
12. Answers will vary, but might include the following: *I go to school; I have new clothes that are comfortable; I eat meals at a table with my family; I do not have to work all day long; and so on.*