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

1. What do skydivers learn in their training class?
 - Ⓐ how to check their chutes
 - Ⓑ how to find the drop zone
 - Ⓒ how to roll when they land
 - Ⓓ all of the above
2. What is a **canopy** in skydiving?
 - Ⓐ the parachute
 - Ⓑ a style of jump
 - Ⓒ the airplane
 - Ⓓ The cords
3. How are today's parachutes an improvement over the older ones?
 - Ⓐ They are now used in the military.
 - Ⓑ They can be steered.
 - Ⓒ They are more colorful.
 - Ⓓ They open like an umbrella.
4. What instrument tells beginners when to pull the ripcord?
 - Ⓐ altimeter
 - Ⓑ reserve chute
 - Ⓒ toggle rope
 - Ⓓ paratroopers
5. What happened in Bob's scariest moment?
 - Ⓐ His canopy collided with someone else's.
 - Ⓑ He collided with a bird.
 - Ⓒ He ran out of fuel.
 - Ⓓ He fainted.
6. Which of the following is not a skydiving discipline?
 - Ⓐ free-fall formations
 - Ⓑ free flying
 - Ⓒ free flare
 - Ⓓ freestyle

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7. What does tandem mean?
 - Ⓐ jumping out first
 - Ⓑ two people together
 - Ⓒ a special move on a board
 - Ⓓ the cord pulled to open a chute
8. Beginners would open their chutes _____ than an expert.
 - Ⓐ closer to the ground
 - Ⓑ farther from the ground
 - Ⓒ same distance to the ground
 - Ⓓ none of the above
9. Why would a skydiver want to free-fall head first?
 - Ⓐ to go faster
 - Ⓑ to see the ground better
 - Ⓒ to stay away from others
 - Ⓓ to direct themselves to a target
10. What is the main reason people skydive?
 - Ⓐ competition
 - Ⓑ enjoyment
 - Ⓒ risk factor
 - Ⓓ safety
11. **Extended Response:** Why would someone want to stay in the air as long as possible?
12. **Extended Response:** Bob talks about how he jumped solo when he went skydiving for the first time. How is a solo first jump different from a tandem first jump?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Skydiving

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓓ Main Idea and Details
2. Ⓐ Vocabulary
3. Ⓑ Compare and Contrast
4. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
5. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
6. Ⓒ Classify Information
7. Ⓑ Vocabulary
8. Ⓑ Compare and Contrast
9. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
10. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
11. Answers will vary but would likely include: *more formations could be done and more could be seen; a jumper would more likely to hit a target, to win a competition, or to do more acrobatics in the air.*
12. Answers should include: *The solo jump is called a static line jump and the parachute is opened for you. The line is attached to equipment in the plane and the line pulls a pin that releases the parachute. A tandem jump means you are connected with an instructor.*