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

1. Why was Sarah nervous about the first day of school?
 - Ⓐ She did not have new clothes.
 - Ⓑ She was new to the school.
 - Ⓒ She had not made any friends.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
2. Who did Sarah say really cared about her in the story?
 - Ⓐ Kent
 - Ⓑ the students
 - Ⓒ Ms. Parker
 - Ⓓ the teachers
3. Sarah had never been so **apprehensive** about school before. What does **apprehensive** mean?
 - Ⓐ happy
 - Ⓑ worried
 - Ⓒ confident
 - Ⓓ sleepy
4. Who was Sarah?
 - Ⓐ a new student at school
 - Ⓑ someone no one liked
 - Ⓒ the new teacher, Ms. Parker
 - Ⓓ someone the principal liked
5. How did Sarah's stomach feel the morning school started?
 - Ⓐ as if she'd eaten unhealthy food
 - Ⓑ as if butterflies were inside it
 - Ⓒ as if the milk she drank had gone bad
 - Ⓓ as if someone had made her laugh a lot
6. Why might Sarah have moved to a new house?
 - Ⓐ to be close to Kent
 - Ⓑ to be close to friends at school
 - Ⓒ because she started a new job
 - Ⓓ because she was not old enough to drive

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7. What did Sarah do at school after the bell rang?
 - Ⓐ She stood up and introduced herself to the class.
 - Ⓑ She took her seat in the back of the class.
 - Ⓒ She told everyone how nervous she was.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
8. What is most likely Kent's relationship to Sarah?
 - Ⓐ Kent is a teacher with Sarah.
 - Ⓑ Kent is Sarah's husband.
 - Ⓒ Kent is the principal at Sarah's school.
 - Ⓓ Kent is Sarah's dad.
9. Kent would **mock** Sarah for being nervous. What does **mock** mean?
 - Ⓐ to make someone feel excited
 - Ⓑ to make someone feel less nervous
 - Ⓒ to make someone appear more grown up
 - Ⓓ to make someone appear silly or ridiculous
10. Why might Sarah try to hide the waver in her voice when she introduced herself to the class?
 - Ⓐ She wanted the class to like her.
 - Ⓑ She did not want the class to know she was the teacher.
 - Ⓒ She did not want the class to know she was nervous.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
11. **Extended Response:** The title of this story is *The First Day of School*. Why do you think the author chose this title instead of *Ms. Parker's First Day of School*?
12. **Extended Response:** What caused Sarah to be so worried and nervous about beginning school? Support your answer with evidence from the text.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

First Day of School

Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences

1. Ⓓ *Make Inferences*
2. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓒ *Story Elements*
5. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
6. Ⓒ *Make Inferences*
7. Ⓐ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓑ *Make Inferences*
9. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓒ *Make Inferences*
11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that the author wanted to keep the character's identity hidden until the end of the story.
12. Answers will vary. Sample answers: *Sarah was beginning at a new school; Sarah just moved into a new town; Sarah's clothing made her unsure of her appearance.*