

Quick Check

Brad Needs a Budget

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

- **1.** Which of the following are characters in this story?
 - (A) Brad and his teacher
 - B Brad and his grandma
 - © Brad and his parents
 - (I) Brad and his brother
- 2. What is Brad's problem?
 - A Brad doesn't want to go to the movies with his friends.
 - B Brad wants to earn his allowance without doing his chores.
 - © Brad spends too much time playing video games.
 - D Brad never has enough money for what he wants to buy.

- **3.** Why do Brad's parents suggest he make a budget instead of just giving him more money?
 - (A) They want Brad to be more responsible with his money.
 - B They don't have any more money to give to Brad.
 - ① They want Brad to do more chores around the house.
 - ① They don't think Brad should be buying video games.
- **4.** What happens after Brad makes a budget?
 - (A) He never has enough money.
 - B He has money to give to a charity.
 - ① He asks his parents for a raise.
 - ① He never spends any more money.

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- **5.** Which of the following is an opinion Brad might have?
 - (A) It is best to get \$12 a week for allowance.
 - B Giving money to charity is a nice thing to do.
 - © Allowance should be saved and not used.
 - ① Having a budget is not helpful.
- 6. What is a budget?
 - A an organization that accepts money
 - B an increase in pay
 - © a sum of money given each week
 - ① a plan for spending money
- **7.** How does Brad solve his problem?
 - (A) by borrowing money
 - (B) by buying fewer games
 - (C) by making a budget
 - D by doing more chores

- **8.** What happens before Brad makes a budget?
 - A Brad asks his parents for help.
 - B Brad receives a raise in his allowance.
 - © Brad always has enough money.
 - D Brad sets aside \$4 for savings.
- **9.** Which word means the same as an increase in pay?
 - (A) raise

 - © savings
 - (D) charity
- **10.** What does Brad buy with his savings?
 - (A) a delicious treat
 - (B) a new video game console
 - (C) a trip to the movies
 - ① a leash for his dog
- 11. Extended Response: Why did the author write this story? Support your answer with examples from the book.



LEVEL M

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution

- **1.** ① Story Elements
- **2.** D Problem and Solution
- 3. (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **4.** B Sequence Events
- **5. B** Fact or Opinion
- **6.** ① Vocabulary
- 7. © Problem and Solution
- **8.** A Sequence Events
- **9.** A Vocabulary
- **10.** B Story Elements
- 11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that the author believes that having a budget is important. Students should support their answer with examples from the book, such as a budget helps you save for things you want, for emergencies, and for charity.