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

1. Why did Felix Baumgartner have to disguise himself to get into the Petronas Towers in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia?
 - (A) It was too dangerous.
 - (B) He wanted it to be a surprise.
 - (C) Too many fans were crowding the entrance.
 - (D) The authorities wouldn't allow him to jump off the Towers.
2. The enclosed space of Felix's special suit began to terrify him and give him _____.
 - (A) claustrophobia
 - (B) nausea
 - (C) pain in his legs
 - (D) nightmares
3. Read this sentence: *At that **altitude**, it is extremely cold, and there is almost no air.* What does the word **altitude** mean?
 - (A) a mountaintop
 - (B) the height above a surface
 - (C) a special capsule that can travel into space
 - (D) none of the above
4. How fast did Joe Kittinger, the previous record-holder, free fall before Felix broke his record?
 - (A) 365 miles per hour
 - (B) 537 miles per hour
 - (C) 80 miles per hour
 - (D) over 600 miles per hour
5. When did Felix set the record for lowest BASE jump off the hand of the Christ the Redeemer statue?
 - (A) before he joined the military
 - (B) in 2010
 - (C) in 1999
 - (D) after his free fall from space
6. What makes this book a biography?
 - (A) It is a factual book that gives information about real events.
 - (B) It is a story about personal achievements.
 - (C) It is written from the imagination of the writer.
 - (D) All of the above

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7. How was Felix's jump on October 14, 2012, different from all of his other jumps?
 - Ⓐ It was higher than all his other jumps.
 - Ⓑ It required a special suit.
 - Ⓒ It took seven years to plan.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
8. According to the book, what did Felix learn in the military that helped him to be successful?
 - Ⓐ discipline and work ethic
 - Ⓑ strength and stamina
 - Ⓒ competitiveness and power
 - Ⓓ a sense of humor and management skills
9. Read this sentence: *Felix began training to be a **BASE jumper** when he was in his twenties.* What is a **BASE jumper**?
 - Ⓐ a military soldier
 - Ⓑ a person who jumps from high cliffs or structures and parachutes down
 - Ⓒ a substitute runner in baseball
 - Ⓓ a special type of mountain climber
10. Which of the following is another good title for this book?
 - Ⓐ *Jumping Into History*
 - Ⓑ *Skydiving and Other Dangerous Sports*
 - Ⓒ *The Risks of Free Falls*
 - Ⓓ *Joe Kittinger's Famous Jump*
11. **Extended Response:** What types of things can scientists and researchers learn from Felix's world-record free fall?
12. **Extended Response:** Do you think it is okay to break the law to pursue setting a world record? Explain your opinion.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Fearless Felix

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
2. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
6. Ⓐ *Identify Genre*
7. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
9. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
11. Answers will vary but should include conclusions drawn from the book, such as ways to help humans travel more safely in space.
12. Answers will vary according to personal experiences and opinions, but should draw upon conclusions drawn from the book's information.