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

1. How does Landon feel about the first pumpkin he carves?
 - Ⓐ happy
 - Ⓑ excited
 - Ⓒ worried
 - Ⓓ upset
2. Why does Landon sell some of the pumpkins he grows?
 - Ⓐ Landon wants to show others that he can grow pumpkins.
 - Ⓑ Landon's dad makes him sell the pumpkins.
 - Ⓒ Landon wants people to use the pumpkins as compost.
 - Ⓓ Landon has more pumpkins than he can use.
3. Why does Landon put juice bottles over his plants?
 - Ⓐ He wants to keep people from stepping on the plants.
 - Ⓑ He wants to keep the plants from getting wet.
 - Ⓒ He wants to keep the plants from getting too cold.
 - Ⓓ He wants to keep the plants out of the sunlight.
4. Why does Landon want to grow pumpkins?
 - Ⓐ He wants to make lots of pies.
 - Ⓑ He wants to give the pumpkins to his friends.
 - Ⓒ He wants lots of pumpkins to put on his porch.
 - Ⓓ He wants to be able to carve a good jack-o'-lantern.
5. What grows on the vines before the green pumpkins?
 - Ⓐ ladybugs
 - Ⓑ pine cones
 - Ⓒ yellow flowers
 - Ⓓ small red berries
6. What does Landon do at the end of the story to make sure his carved pumpkins look good?
 - Ⓐ He draws faces on the pumpkins.
 - Ⓑ He looks at pictures in a magazine.
 - Ⓒ He watches Chad carve his pumpkins.
 - Ⓓ All of the above

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7. What steps do Landon and his dad take to grow the pumpkins?
 - Ⓐ spreading the compost, tilling the ground, planting the seeds
 - Ⓑ tilling the ground, mixing the compost, planting the seeds
 - Ⓒ watering the seeds, mixing the compost, raking the ground
 - Ⓓ building a greenhouse, watering the soil, planting the seeds
8. What is a **harvest**?
 - Ⓐ the time when crops grow
 - Ⓑ the time when crops are planted
 - Ⓒ the time when crops are picked
 - Ⓓ the time when crops are eaten
9. Why does Landon want to roast his pumpkin seeds?
 - Ⓐ He has too many to plant.
 - Ⓑ He thinks they will taste good.
 - Ⓒ He wants to reuse them as a snack.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
10. Why does Landon put compost into the dirt?
 - Ⓐ to get rid of all the bugs
 - Ⓑ to make the plants healthy
 - Ⓒ to get rid of all the old pumpkins
 - Ⓓ to cover the rocks
11. **Extended Response:** Explain how you can reuse or recycle two things.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Landon's Pumpkins

Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
2. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
3. Ⓒ *Problem and Solution*
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5. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
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8. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓓ *Problem and Solution*
10. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary. Example: *I can recycle my pop bottles and reuse my sister's baseball uniform.*