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

1. What is one way the Sonoran Desert is different from the Sahara Desert?
  - Ⓐ The Sonoran Desert is home to the Bedouin.
  - Ⓑ The Sonoran Desert has fewer animals.
  - Ⓒ The Sonoran Desert has fewer plants.
  - Ⓓ The Sonoran Desert gets more rain per year.
2. Why do you think the author wrote this book?
  - Ⓐ to describe how people learned to live in desert areas
  - Ⓑ to explain the customs of the Tohono O'odham
  - Ⓒ to tell about the different foods in a desert
  - Ⓓ to give people information about traveling to the Sonoran Desert and the Sahara Desert
3. What do all deserts have in common?
  - Ⓐ sand and hot temperatures
  - Ⓑ little rainfall
  - Ⓒ very few plants
  - Ⓓ all of the above
4. Because Tohono O'odham girls had to carry water over long distances, they \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ needed to be strong
  - Ⓑ had to have brave brothers
  - Ⓒ never got lost
  - Ⓓ were often attacked
5. **Nomads** are people who \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ never get angry
  - Ⓑ hunt animals to survive
  - Ⓒ grow food on farms
  - Ⓓ move from place to place and have no permanent home

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6. Why was it important for the Bedouin to own animals that could carry heavy loads?
  - Ⓐ The Bedouin were big people.
  - Ⓑ The Bedouin often moved to new areas with all their belongings.
  - Ⓒ The Bedouin needed camels to help dig wells.
  - Ⓓ The Bedouin were unable to keep weak animals alive.
7. Why did the Bedouin dry some of the dates they found?
  - Ⓐ They thought that dried dates tasted better.
  - Ⓑ They wanted to eat the dates later.
  - Ⓒ They wanted to hide the dates from other tribes.
  - Ⓓ They fed the dates to their camels.
8. If you **adapt** to a situation, you \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ live
  - Ⓑ adjust
  - Ⓒ leave
  - Ⓓ fly
9. The Sahara desert is more than just sand. It is also \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ tall trees, lush grasses, and rivers
  - Ⓑ mountains, valleys, and oases
  - Ⓒ camels, cacti, and rain
  - Ⓓ bears, pine nuts, and salt
10. How did the Bedouin solve the problem of not having enough water?
  - Ⓐ They knew where to find oases.
  - Ⓑ They bought bottled water from grocery stores.
  - Ⓒ They performed rain dances.
  - Ⓓ They knew where to find oases, and they dug wells.
11. **Extended Response:** How have desert people adapted to their environments?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Desert People

Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

1. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
2. Ⓐ *Author's Purpose*
3. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
4. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
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7. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
10. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
11. Answers will vary somewhat.  
Examples include: *Desert people have adapted by planting seeds when they need vegetables, hunting when they need meat, going to a spring when they need water, digging wells in the ground for water, using camels for many purposes such as food, water, shelter, and transportation, and so on.*