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

1. Which word best describes Maui in "Maui Defeated"?
  - Ⓐ strong
  - Ⓑ compassionate
  - Ⓒ sneaky
  - Ⓓ thoughtful
2. How did Maui get back on his brothers' fishing boat after they refused to take him fishing again?
  - Ⓐ He used a mind trick to get them to agree to take him.
  - Ⓑ He asked his mother to convince them to take him.
  - Ⓒ He pretended to be sorry for all the tricks he played on them.
  - Ⓓ He transformed into a beetle and hid in a fishing net.
3. From whose point of view are the myths about Maui told?
  - Ⓐ Maui's mother's
  - Ⓑ a narrator's
  - Ⓒ Maui's
  - Ⓓ the Sun's
4. Which of the following is a common theme in all the myths about Maui?
  - Ⓐ Maui liked to help humans and improve their way of life.
  - Ⓑ Maui was seeking the love and approval of his father.
  - Ⓒ Maui was searching for riches and popularity through his actions.
  - Ⓓ Maui enjoyed watching humans figure things out for themselves.
5. Which of the following is an example from the book of Maui's **mischief**?
  - Ⓐ Maui transformed himself into a beetle to sneak onto his brothers' fishing boat.
  - Ⓑ Maui pushed up the sky with great effort.
  - Ⓒ Maui allowed the Sun to travel quickly across the sky in winter.
  - Ⓓ Maui dove into Hine's mouth with great courage.

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6. What problem did Maui cause by lifting the sky?
  - Ⓐ The Sun had enough space to run very fast across the sky each day.
  - Ⓑ The Sun was unhappy with all of the space and begged Maui to lower the sky again.
  - Ⓒ The Sun moved too slowly across the large sky, so it was always daylight.
  - Ⓓ The Sun was angry with Maui, so it refused to rise for one year.
7. How was Maui different from his brothers in this book?
  - Ⓐ He was a skilled fisherman, and they were not.
  - Ⓑ He was immortal, and they were not.
  - Ⓒ He was married, and they were not.
  - Ⓓ He was a demigod, and they were not.
8. Which of the following events happened last in the myth "Maui Pulls Up the Islands"?
  - Ⓐ Maui transformed himself into a beetle.
  - Ⓑ Maui made an enormous fishing hook.
  - Ⓒ Maui created the first volcano.
  - Ⓓ Maui pulled an island out of the sea.
9. Which word best describes Maui in the myth "Maui Pushes Up the Sky"?
  - Ⓐ sneaky
  - Ⓑ compassionate
  - Ⓒ selfish
  - Ⓓ clever
10. Maui's brothers were described as **adamant**. What does **adamant** mean?
  - Ⓐ clever
  - Ⓑ determined
  - Ⓒ strong
  - Ⓓ wise

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- 11. Extended Response:** List five words that best describe Maui. Then, write about why you chose each word. Use details from the text to support your answers.
- 12. Extended Response:** According to the book, what impact did Maui have on the Polynesian Islands and the people who live there?

**Quick Check Answer Sheet****The Hero Maui***Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character*

1. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
2. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓑ *Character Point of View*
4. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓐ *Cause and Effect*
7. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
9. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary but should include five words that accurately describe Maui and specific examples from the text to support each word.
12. Answers will vary but should include the following ideas:  
Maui helped raise the sky, giving Polynesians room to move around; he captured the Sun to help lengthen the days; and he lifted the islands out of the sea.