

Quick Check Nature Stinks!

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

- 1. What is the main idea of Nature Stinks!?
 - A Some plants use their stink to help them survive.
 - B Using stink for survival is the best protection for an animal.
 - © There are many ways that plants and animals survive.
 - D Living things use odors to help them survive.
- 2. How are corpse flowers and stinking root parasites similar?
 - (A) They are both found in Africa.
 - B They both use their stink to attract insects.
 - ① They both smell like poop.
 - ① They both can turn off their stink.

- **3.** What is the author's purpose for writing this book?
 - (A) to inform readers about how being stinky helps plants and animals survive
 - B to entertain readers with stories about people being sprayed by animals
 - © to inform readers about how using stink is the best way for an animal to protect itself in the wild
 - to persuade readers to stay away from all stinky plants and animals
- **4.** How does attracting bugs help corpse flowers survive?
 - A The bugs collect powder from the flower and carry it to other corpse flowers.
 - (B) The bugs eat dead leaves on the flower so it can grow new ones.
 - © The bugs keep away other animals that might eat the flower.
 - ① The bugs do not help the corpse flower survive.

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- **5.** What is the effect of the stinkbird eating mostly leaves?
 - (A) The bird is unable to create a stink.
 - B The bird creates a green slime.
 - ① The bird is unable to fly.
 - ① The bird smells terrible.
- **6.** Which of the following words means the same thing as **odor**?
 - (A) taste
 - (B) sound
 - © smell
 - ① sight
- 7. In what way are all stinky animals alike?
 - A They all lift their tails and spray.
 - B They use their stink to keep away other creatures.
 - ① They all live in North America.
 - They all have fur to keep them warm.

- **8.** Why must a millipede give off a stinky smell when it is in danger?
 - (A) It is too slow to escape.
 - B It's teeth are too small to bite.
 - (C) It gets scared and gives off a stink automatically.
 - ① It is trying to attract other millipedes to come help.
- **9.** Which of the following words means to make offspring that are similar to the original living thing?
 - (A) redo
 - B replicate
 - (C) recreate
 - (D) reproduce
- **10.** Which of the following is an opinion?
 - (A) Wolverines are also called "nasty cats."
 - B Opossums pretend to be dead if an enemy is near.
 - © Musk oxen are the smelliest animals on the planet.
 - ① Striped polecats are cousins of skunks.





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11. Extended Response: How do plants and animals use their stink differently?



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Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Compare and Contrast

- **1.** (D) Main Idea and Details
- 2.

 B Compare and Contrast
- **3.** Author's Purpose
- **4.** (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **5.** (D) Cause and Effect
- **6.** ① Vocabulary
- 7. B Compare and Contrast
- **8.** (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **9.** ① Vocabulary
- **10.** © Fact or Opinion
- 11. Answers will vary but should express that plants use their stink to attract insects that help to create more plants and animals mostly use their smell to keep away enemies.