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1. Which word best describes Morty during the first half of the story?
 - Ⓐ sad
 - Ⓑ happy
 - Ⓒ angry
 - Ⓓ silly
2. Why does Morty tell Margie that she has an ugly face?
 - Ⓐ because she wouldn't help him with the problem on the board
 - Ⓑ because Margie pointed out a stain on Morty's shirt in front of the class
 - Ⓒ because she laughed at him when he got the answer wrong
 - Ⓓ because she called him a mean name
3. What happens after Morty shoves his sister?
 - Ⓐ He laughs at her.
 - Ⓑ He helps her up and apologizes.
 - Ⓒ He shuts his door and throws himself on his bed crying.
 - Ⓓ He goes to tell his mom what happened.
4. How is Morty different at the end of the book?
 - Ⓐ He's happier.
 - Ⓑ He's angrier.
 - Ⓒ He's meaner.
 - Ⓓ He's sillier.
5. Read this sentence: *He was **mortified** to disappoint his classmates.* What does **mortified** mean?
 - Ⓐ sad
 - Ⓑ embarrassed
 - Ⓒ angry
 - Ⓓ happy

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6. What does Morty do when he is playing soccer with his friends to show he has changed?
 - Ⓐ He gets angry because he keeps missing goals.
 - Ⓑ He stops playing and runs off the field.
 - Ⓒ He asks his friends if they want to play something else instead.
 - Ⓓ He tells his friends how he is feeling.
7. Which of the following is an opinion about Morty?
 - Ⓐ He feels guilty about pushing his sister.
 - Ⓑ He yells at his friends.
 - Ⓒ He forgot his homework at home.
 - Ⓓ He's a good big brother.
8. What is Morty's main problem?
 - Ⓐ He doesn't know how to deal with his anger.
 - Ⓑ He forgot his homework.
 - Ⓒ He got in trouble for shoving his sister.
 - Ⓓ He learns how to deal with his anger.
9. What conclusion does Morty draw in chapter 3?
 - Ⓐ that he needed to forget about what he had done
 - Ⓑ that he should go play with his sister
 - Ⓒ that he needed to right his wrongs
 - Ⓓ that it's not okay to be angry
10. What is another word for **dejected**?
 - Ⓐ depressed
 - Ⓑ embarrassed
 - Ⓒ annoyed
 - Ⓓ angry

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- 11. Extended Response:** At the end of the book Morty's mom says, "It isn't always smooth sailing, but you're shaping up to be a strong mouse, Mega Morty." What does Morty's mom mean by this?
- 12. Extended Response:** What lesson does the author hope the reader learns from the story? What key details in the story help the reader understand this lesson?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Morty the Meany

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
2. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓒ *Sequence Events*
4. Ⓐ *Compare and Contrast*
5. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓓ *Analyze Character*
7. Ⓓ *Fact or Opinion*
8. Ⓐ *Problem and Solution*
9. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
10. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary. Sample answer: *Morty's mom is saying that things don't always go well with Morty, but he is growing up and learning how to be strong and mature. She is proud of the mouse he is becoming.*
12. Answers will vary but should include that the author wants readers to learn how to handle their anger by figuring out what is causing it so they can find a solution instead of getting angrier. Examples from the text should back up answers.