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

1. What was the main problem in this story?
  - Ⓐ The dog slipped into the water.
  - Ⓑ The dog was trapped on a piece of ice floating on a river.
  - Ⓒ The dog had nothing to eat for days.
  - Ⓓ The river was too cold for the dog to swim in.
2. What happened to the ice the dog was standing on?
  - Ⓐ It got stuck in the river.
  - Ⓑ It grew bigger.
  - Ⓒ It slowly melted and broke into smaller pieces.
  - Ⓓ It flipped over.
3. Which of the following happened in this story before Baltic was rescued?
  - Ⓐ People saw the dog trapped on the ice.
  - Ⓑ Firefighters tried to reach the dog, but couldn't.
  - Ⓒ The ice and the dog floated out into the Baltic Sea.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
4. From the map on page 8, you can tell that Poland is next to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ the United States
  - Ⓑ Sweden
  - Ⓒ Germany
  - Ⓓ Denmark
5. If someone **investigates** something, they \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ try to find out more about it
  - Ⓑ solve a problem
  - Ⓒ rescue someone
  - Ⓓ play a game

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6. Why wouldn't the dog climb into the net that the sailors lowered from the ship?
  - Ⓐ The dog was too excited.
  - Ⓑ The dog was too scared.
  - Ⓒ The dog wanted to swim to shore.
  - Ⓓ All of the above
7. How did the sailors finally solve the problem of getting Baltic on the ship?
  - Ⓐ The sailors gave the dog some food.
  - Ⓑ The sailors talked softly to the dog.
  - Ⓒ The sailors called the dog's name.
  - Ⓓ A sailor used a raft to get close enough to grab the dog.
8. Why did the sailors name the dog *Baltic*?
  - Ⓐ He reminded them of a dog by that name.
  - Ⓑ They found him in the Baltic Sea.
  - Ⓒ The dog had a name tag around his neck.
  - Ⓓ The dog's owners told them that was his name.
9. If someone **adopts** someone, they \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ give him to someone
  - Ⓑ pay someone to feed him
  - Ⓒ decide to keep and take care of him
  - Ⓓ send him home
10. Which word best describes the crew of the ship?
  - Ⓐ angry
  - Ⓑ kind
  - Ⓒ funny
  - Ⓓ sad
11. **Extended Response:** Why do you think Baltic was walking alone on the ice at the beginning of the story?

**Quick Check Answer Sheet****Baltic Rescue**

*Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution*

1. Ⓑ *Problem and Solution*
2. Ⓒ *Cause and Effect*
3. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
4. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
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10. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
11. Answers will vary. Example:  
*Baltic could have been a stray dog that was looking for food.*