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

1. What is the main problem of this story?
 - Ⓐ Maggie and Caroline don't want to be on a team with Tad.
 - Ⓑ Maggie, Caroline, Tad, and Bert want to win the Quiz Bowl contest.
 - Ⓒ Maggie, Caroline, Tad, and Bert want to study hard and pass all their classes.
 - Ⓓ Tad wants to make sure everyone knows how much information he has learned.
2. If something **submerges**, what happens?
 - Ⓐ It becomes invisible.
 - Ⓑ It climbs a steep hill.
 - Ⓒ It sinks in the water.
 - Ⓓ It changes form.
3. Why did Bert have trouble finding information on ocean trenches?
 - Ⓐ No one knows anything about these.
 - Ⓑ He didn't take the time to do research.
 - Ⓒ The information is too old to be worthwhile.
 - Ⓓ The information is new and not in a lot of books.
4. Why was Maggie looking forward to going to the Kid Quiz Bowl?
 - Ⓐ She and Caroline were on a team together.
 - Ⓑ They could win a field trip for the whole school.
 - Ⓒ She would get out of class every day to get ready.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
5. What words best describe Bert?
 - Ⓐ unfocused and disorganized
 - Ⓑ uncooperative and irritable
 - Ⓒ eager and hard-working
 - Ⓓ all of the above

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6. How could you tell Maggie's team did well at the competition?
 - Ⓐ They all answered everything right.
 - Ⓑ They all had done their research and knew the facts.
 - Ⓒ They had made it to the final round of the competition.
 - Ⓓ All of the above
7. Comparing the two teams in the finals, Shelbyville and Deerfield, you can tell _____.
 - Ⓐ they were equally matched
 - Ⓑ Shelbyville knew more information
 - Ⓒ Deerfield knew more information
 - Ⓓ none of the students had studied
8. What is **sediment**?
 - Ⓐ dirt and mud mixed in water
 - Ⓑ rocks that fall through water
 - Ⓒ a type of rock found in oceans
 - Ⓓ a crack in the floor of the sea
9. Why did Tad not answer the last question?
 - Ⓐ He didn't know the answer.
 - Ⓑ He couldn't hear the question.
 - Ⓒ He forgot to push the button.
 - Ⓓ He froze and couldn't speak.
10. What is an undersea volcano called?
 - Ⓐ a plume
 - Ⓑ a seamount
 - Ⓒ a coral reef
 - Ⓓ a bathyscaphe
11. **Extended Response:** Describe the abyssal plain in one sentence.
12. **Extended Response:** At the end of the story, why were Maggie, Caroline, and Bert laughing and chasing Tad?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Ocean Quiz

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. Ⓑ Problem and Solution.
2. Ⓒ Vocabulary
3. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
4. Ⓓ Analyze Character
5. Ⓐ Analyze Character
6. Ⓒ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
7. Ⓐ Compare and Contrast
8. Ⓐ Vocabulary
9. Ⓓ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
10. Ⓑ Vocabulary
11. Answers should be similar to the following: *the abyssal plain is the deepest part of the ocean and covers about 75 percent of the ocean floor, but it has almost no life because of intense water pressure and lack of light.*
12. Answers will vary but would likely include the following: *Tad acted like a know-it-all during the preparation time for the last competition and then failed his team. So they were good naturedly trying to teach him a lesson and teasing him.*