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

1. What caused the Hoppers to think Papa Hopper was Santa Claus?
 - Ⓐ He was wearing a red coat and hat.
 - Ⓑ He had sleigh bells on his hat and boots.
 - Ⓒ He was caught coming down the chimney.
 - Ⓓ He was filling the stockings.
2. What happened after the Hoppers went to bed?
 - Ⓐ All the Hoppers fell fast asleep.
 - Ⓑ Speedy Legs stayed awake waiting for Santa Claus.
 - Ⓒ Mother Hopper and Papa Hopper stayed awake all night.
 - Ⓓ Snubby Nose crept downstairs with his flashlight.
3. Why did Snubby Nose sleep in the closet under the stairs?
 - Ⓐ He was startled after he saw Santa Claus.
 - Ⓑ His bed was not comfortable.
 - Ⓒ He wanted Santa Claus to put coal in his stocking.
 - Ⓓ That is where Snubby Nose always sleeps.
4. How did Snubby Nose know that Santa Claus had left their house?
 - Ⓐ Santa Claus knocked on the door and said good-bye.
 - Ⓑ Snubby Nose could hear sleigh bells ringing in the distance.
 - Ⓒ Snubby Nose opened the door to peek out.
 - Ⓓ Snubby Nose didn't know that Santa Claus had left.

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5. What is a **chimney**?

- Ⓐ a place where people sleep
- Ⓑ the flowers that grow outside in the spring
- Ⓒ a special dinner that people eat on Christmas Eve
- Ⓓ a way for smoke from a fire to get out through the roof of a house

6. What lesson did Snubby Nose learn in this story?

- Ⓐ He learned to follow the rules and not to try to catch Santa Claus.
- Ⓑ He learned that breaking the rules is okay and fun to do.
- Ⓒ He learned that Santa Claus is mean.
- Ⓓ He learned to be nice to his brother and sisters.

7. What happened at the end of the story?

- Ⓐ Snubby Nose was sent to his room for breaking the rules.
- Ⓑ The Hoppers all had a merry Christmas.
- Ⓒ Santa Claus ate breakfast with the Hoppers.
- Ⓓ Grandpa Grizzly stopped by to deliver presents.

8. Why did the Hoppers run down the stairs?

- Ⓐ to look for Snubby Nose
- Ⓑ to get an early breakfast
- Ⓒ to see what Santa had left
- Ⓓ to let the dog out

9. Why did Snubby Nose think he had coal in his stocking?

- Ⓐ He had slept in the closet.
- Ⓑ He had stayed up late to see Santa.
- Ⓒ He was late getting up.
- Ⓓ He rang the sleigh bells.

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10. How do you think Snubby Nose felt when he saw he had treats in his stocking?

- Ⓐ sad
- Ⓑ tired
- Ⓒ happy
- Ⓓ angry

11. **Extended Response:** Is the Santa in this book more likely to be a poet or a doctor? Explain.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Catching Santa

Main Comprehension Skill: Sequence Events

1. Ⓑ Cause and Effect
2. Ⓓ Sequence Events
3. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
4. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
5. Ⓓ Vocabulary
6. Ⓐ Main Idea and Details
7. Ⓑ Sequence Events
8. Ⓒ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
9. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
10. Ⓒ Analyze Character
11. Answers will vary somewhat but should include the following:
Santa wrote a poem to tell the Hoppers where Snubby Nose was hiding, so he would probably be a poet and working on his latest book.