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

1. Why did Angie think a thesaurus was a care guide for pet dinosaurs?
 - Ⓐ because most dinosaurs come with care guides
 - Ⓑ because she thought a thesaurus was a dinosaur
 - Ⓒ because she saw "Care Guide" on the cover
 - Ⓓ all of the above
2. Why did Angie misunderstand the assignment from Mrs. Ellis?
 - Ⓐ She was daydreaming.
 - Ⓑ She was talking to a friend.
 - Ⓒ She was writing a story.
 - Ⓓ She was thinking about dinosaurs.
3. What question began to form in Angie's mind after Mrs. Ellis's request for the next day?
 - Ⓐ How many wings does a thesaurus have?
 - Ⓑ Is a thesaurus like a snapdragon?
 - Ⓒ Will Mrs. Ellis have enough thesauruses for everyone to borrow?
 - Ⓓ All of the above
4. How did Angie feel about what she thought was the assignment?
 - Ⓐ worried and upset
 - Ⓑ angry and concerned
 - Ⓒ excited and confused
 - Ⓓ none of the above
5. A **daydream** is most like _____.
 - Ⓐ a wish
 - Ⓑ an imaginary distraction
 - Ⓒ a difficult problem
 - Ⓓ a big surprise

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6. Which statement best describes Angie's personality?
 - Ⓐ imaginative and creative
 - Ⓑ angry and frustrated
 - Ⓒ attentive and responsible
 - Ⓓ nervous and fidgety
7. Which word is a **synonym** for "make-believe."
 - Ⓐ interesting
 - Ⓑ imaginary
 - Ⓒ real
 - Ⓓ possible
8. How did Angie's mother feel when Angie asked for a dinosaur?
 - Ⓐ worried
 - Ⓑ angry
 - Ⓒ amused
 - Ⓓ excited
9. Why does Angie finally decide a thesaurus must be small?
 - Ⓐ because it survived the ice age
 - Ⓑ because it had magical powers
 - Ⓒ because it could camouflage itself
 - Ⓓ because many of them could fit into a classroom
10. How did Angie feel when she realized a thesaurus was a book?
 - Ⓐ sad
 - Ⓑ disappointed
 - Ⓒ happy
 - Ⓓ angry
11. **Extended Response:** Why does Angie's mother compare a writer using a thesaurus to a carpenter using a hammer?
12. **Extended Response:** After Angie wrote her story, why did Mrs. Ellis think she was in for a treat?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

The Thesaurus

Main Comprehension Skill: Analyze Character

1. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
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3. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
5. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
6. Ⓐ *Analyze Character*
7. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
8. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
9. Ⓓ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
10. Ⓑ *Analyze Character*
11. Answers may vary but should include: *both a thesaurus and a hammer are tools a person can use to do a better job.*
12. Answers may vary but would likely include: *the title of the story, The Ponderous Brute, used very interesting words; saw a picture of a dinosaur that went with the story; she knew that Angie had a good imagination, which is helpful when writing stories.*