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

1. Which of the following is not a detail that supports the main idea of the section titled "History of Kites"?
  - Ⓐ Kites were named after a graceful bird.
  - Ⓑ Ben Franklin tried a dangerous experiment with a kite.
  - Ⓒ Some big kites help to pull big ships through the water.
  - Ⓓ Kites have become more elaborate over time.
2. What was the main idea that the author of this book wanted readers to learn?
  - Ⓐ Kites are fun but also help people in many ways.
  - Ⓑ Kites can send an electrical current down a string.
  - Ⓒ Kites are only flown by children in modern times.
  - Ⓓ Kites can be made from a plastic bag.
3. What is a **legend**?
  - Ⓐ a type of ancient kite
  - Ⓑ an old, well-known story
  - Ⓒ a way of building kites
  - Ⓓ something that can be copied
4. The author of this book compares kites to \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ diplomats
  - Ⓑ instruments
  - Ⓒ horses
  - Ⓓ acrobats
5. What is another good title for this book?
  - Ⓐ *Kites Are Not Just Simple Toys*
  - Ⓑ *Some Kites Have Made History*
  - Ⓒ *Watching Kites Makes Everyone Smile*
  - Ⓓ *Each Kite Design Competes for Attention*

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6. Which of the following is not an unusual use for a kite mentioned in this book?
  - Ⓐ help ships burn less fuel
  - Ⓑ help people catch fish far from the shore
  - Ⓒ help people chart and record wind speeds
  - Ⓓ help planes fly over enemy locations
7. When making a kite, what do you do after you lay the crossed sticks on the plastic bag?
  - Ⓐ form a cross shape with the sticks
  - Ⓑ cut a diamond shape around it
  - Ⓒ tape string to each end of the long stick
  - Ⓓ wrap tape around the sticks where they meet
8. What is not a reason to fly a kite in an open area?
  - Ⓐ There are fewer things on the ground to trip over.
  - Ⓑ There is less wind and rain.
  - Ⓒ There are fewer things for a kite to get tangled up in.
  - Ⓓ There are fewer power lines.
9. What is an **inventor**?
  - Ⓐ a person who thinks of a new idea or process
  - Ⓑ a person who proves a theory
  - Ⓒ a person who writes about a new idea
  - Ⓓ a person who fixes broken instruments
10. The author of this book believes \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ kites harm the environment
  - Ⓑ almost anyone can make a kite
  - Ⓒ kites should only be built by experts
  - Ⓓ kites are dangerous and shouldn't be flown by children
11. **Extended Response:** Why did the author write this book? Support your answer with evidence from the book.
12. **Extended Response:** Do you think the story about the soldier flying over a wall using a kite is true? Explain.

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## All About Kites

*Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details*

1. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
4. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
5. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
6. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
8. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
9. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
10. Ⓑ *Author's Point of View*
11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that the author wrote this book to inform readers about the past and present uses of kites. Answers should be supported with evidence from the text.
12. Answers should state yes or no with an explanation. Example:  
*No, I don't think the story is true because there weren't any kites then that could carry a person through the air.*