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

1. How do you think the author feels about Nobel prizewinners?
 - Ⓐ He thinks the process by which people are chosen for the award is too easy and to be a prizewinner is not impressive.
 - Ⓑ He thinks most people who win the award are greedy and want to win only for the money.
 - Ⓒ He thinks they are some of the most intelligent and committed people in the world.
 - Ⓓ He thinks anyone could win a Nobel Prize and that the prizewinners are not special.
2. Who was Mother Teresa?
 - Ⓐ a winner of the prize for literature
 - Ⓑ a winner of the prize for peace
 - Ⓒ a winner of the prize for economics
 - Ⓓ a winner of the prize for science
3. What is the effect of Alfred Nobel inventing dynamite?
 - Ⓐ He helped Russia in the war.
 - Ⓑ He was accepted to a good college.
 - Ⓒ He was the first person to win the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓓ He became rich and famous.
4. In what year did Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. receive the Nobel Prize?
 - Ⓐ 1999
 - Ⓑ 1964
 - Ⓒ 1878
 - Ⓓ 1896

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| <p>5. Which of the following is an opinion?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ All people should strive to earn the Nobel Prize in their lifetime. Ⓑ The prizes honor freedom, peace, and the commitment to improving the lives of humankind. Ⓒ All of the medals feature an image of Alfred Nobel on the front. Ⓓ The Nobel foundation awards cash, a diploma, and a gold medal with Alfred Nobel's image to each prizewinner. | <p>6. What is the author's point of view on the Nobel Prize?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ⓐ The Nobel Prize is so important that there is no need for any other kind of award to give to people for their work and ideas. Ⓑ The Nobel Prize is like too many other important awards, and it shouldn't be given out anymore. Ⓒ The Nobel Prize is the most famous honor in the world and has a positive influence on the world. Ⓓ The Nobel Prize is too easy to win, and the rules should be made more difficult. |
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7. What is the main idea of the section "Nobel Controversies"?
 - Ⓐ It is unclear why President Obama received the Nobel Prize.
 - Ⓑ Some Nobel Prize awards have upset certain groups of people.
 - Ⓒ Henry Kissinger was awarded the prize for negotiating a cease-fire during the Vietnam War.
 - Ⓓ Some people want the award taken away from Yasser Arafat.
8. Which word means *a group of people who make decisions together*?
 - Ⓐ engineer
 - Ⓑ physicists
 - Ⓒ prizewinners
 - Ⓓ committee
9. What was the effect of Albert Einstein winning the Nobel Prize?
 - Ⓐ He was able to pay for his kids to go to school.
 - Ⓑ He was able to continue his work.
 - Ⓒ He was able to retire.
 - Ⓓ He was able to buy a new car.
10. *The study of how living things and their parts work* is called _____.
 - Ⓐ physics
 - Ⓑ physiology
 - Ⓒ economics
 - Ⓓ engineering
11. **Extended Response:** Who is Malala Yousafzai, and what makes her different from other Nobel Prize winners?
12. **Extended Response:** What makes Marie Curie different from other Nobel Prize winners?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

The Nobel Prize

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Point of View

1. Ⓒ *Author's Point of View*
2. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
3. Ⓓ *Cause and Effect*
4. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
5. Ⓐ *Fact or Opinion*
6. Ⓒ *Author's Point of View*
7. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓓ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
10. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers should include the following: *Malala is a young woman who fought for girls in Pakistan to have the right to an education. She is different from other recipients because she is the youngest person to ever receive the Nobel Prize.*
12. Answers should include the following: *Marie Curie was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize. She is also one of only two people ever to win the award in more than one area. Marie Curie and her daughter were the only mother-daughter pair to ever win the prize.*