Quick Check Hansel and Gretel

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

- 1. Read this sentence from the story: Gretel happily followed, but Hansel caught a glimpse of his stepmother's face watching from the window. A glimpse is
  - (A) a long stare
  - **B** a quick look
  - (C) a reflection
  - (D) a shadow
- 2. Who is telling the story?
  - (A) Hansel
  - (B) Gretel
  - (C) the old woman
  - (D) a narrator
- **3.** Why does Hansel and Gretel's father send them away?
  - A He does not have enough food to feed Hansel and Gretel.
  - B He wants them to go to the village to visit an old woman.
  - © He wants them to to find treasure so they can buy food.
  - ① He wants them to go hunting for food in the woods.

- **4.** Which of the following events happens first in the story?
  - A The old woman is locked in the cage.
  - B Gretel boils water on the stove.
  - © The breadcrumbs are eaten by the birds.
  - ① Gretel gives a chicken bone to Hansel.
- **5.** Why is the old woman nice to the children in the beginning of the story?
  - (A) She is trying to trick them.
  - B She feels sorry that they are so hungry.
  - © She wants to share a meal with them.
  - She wants them to clean her house.
- **6.** Which of the following words best describe the old woman?
  - (A) kind and wise
  - (B) small and hurt
  - (C) mean and clever
  - ① ill and selfish

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- 7. Why does the old woman invite the children into her house and feed them sweets?
  - A She wants to fatten them up to eat them.
  - B She sees they are hungry and feels bad for them.
  - © She has more food than she can eat and wants to share it.
  - D She wants to trick them into staying and cleaning her house.
- **8.** Based on this story, why is the cottage **remarkable**?
  - A The sweetness made Hansel dizzy.
  - B It is unusual for houses to be so deep in the woods.
  - © A house made of sweets is amazing.
  - ① Hansel and Gretel find shelter and food there.

- 9. After the old woman shuts Hansel in the cage, what conclusion does Gretel draw about the old woman?
  - A The old woman is very kind because she invites them into her house and feeds them.
  - B The old woman is unkind and does not want to help them.
  - © Even though the old woman scares Gretel, she thinks the woman is still a good person.
  - ① The old woman is helpless and needs Hansel's and Gretel's help.
- **10.** Why does Hansel take the treasure from the old woman's house?
  - (A) to have something to play with
  - B to use it to buy food
  - © to stop the old woman from finding them
  - to help them find their way home



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**11. Extended Response:** How do the children trick the old woman with the chicken bone?

**12. Extended Response:** How are Hansel and Gretel able to get away from the old woman?

## **Quick Check Answer Sheet**

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Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

- **1.** B Vocabulary
- **2.** ① Character Point of View
- **3.** (A) Cause and Effect
- **4.** © Sequence Events
- **5.** (A) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **6.** (C) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **7.** (A) Cause and Effect
- 8. (C) Vocabulary
- **9.** (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- **10.** (B) Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
- 11. Students' responses should include the following: The woman has poor eyesight, and so she is not able to see that every time she pinches Hansel's arm, she is actually grabbing the chicken bone. Because she is grabbing the chicken bone, she believes that Hansel is not getting fat.
- 12. Answers will vary but should include the following: When the old woman reaches to open the cage, Gretel knocks it down with the broom, causing the old woman to fall over and allowing Hansel to escape.

  Then, Hansel and Gretel push the woman into the cage and lock her in so they are able to escape.