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

1. Which animals were forced out of Yellowstone but have been brought back?
  - Ⓐ bison
  - Ⓑ wolves
  - Ⓒ grizzly bears
  - Ⓓ golden eagles
2. Why did the people of the United States decide to protect Yellowstone forever?
  - Ⓐ They were trying to protect rare animals that lived on the land.
  - Ⓑ They didn't want people to visit the area anymore.
  - Ⓒ They believed the land, water, and animals were special.
  - Ⓓ They wanted to own more land than other countries.
3. How is Yellowstone different from other national parks?
  - Ⓐ It was the first national park.
  - Ⓑ It is the largest national park.
  - Ⓒ It has more animals than any other national park.
  - Ⓓ It is a place that is important to history.
4. What happened in 1872?
  - Ⓐ Yellowstone was discovered.
  - Ⓑ A train was built through Yellowstone.
  - Ⓒ The park was shut down.
  - Ⓓ Yellowstone became a national park.
5. A **hot spot** is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ a flow or leak through a small opening
  - Ⓑ a spot in the Earth where hot rock rises close to the surface
  - Ⓒ the edge of an old caved-in volcano
  - Ⓓ a hole in the ground that shoots hot water into the air

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6. The largest land animal in Yellowstone is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ the grizzly bear
  - Ⓑ the great wolf
  - Ⓒ the bison
  - Ⓓ an elephant
7. What happened before explorers went to Yellowstone?
  - Ⓐ Native Americans visited the area to hunt.
  - Ⓑ Yellowstone was made into a national park.
  - Ⓒ Animals that lived on the land were protected.
  - Ⓓ People from all over the world came to visit.
8. There are now over \_\_\_\_\_ national parks in the United States.
  - Ⓐ one hundred
  - Ⓑ six
  - Ⓒ one million
  - Ⓓ fifty
9. Which of the following is an opinion?
  - Ⓐ Yellowstone is the most beautiful national park.
  - Ⓑ About three million people come to visit Yellowstone every year.
  - Ⓒ More than 350 kinds of wild animals live in Yellowstone.
  - Ⓓ Old Faithful shoots water 100 feet high about every ninety minutes.
10. Animals that live in their natural habitats are called \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Ⓐ explorers
  - Ⓑ extinct
  - Ⓒ endangered
  - Ⓓ wildlife
11. **Extended Response:** What might have happened to the land, the water, and the animals if Yellowstone had not been protected?

## Quick Check Answer Sheet

## Yellowstone: A Place of Wild Wonders

Main Comprehension Skill: Author's Purpose

1. Ⓑ Main Idea and Details
2. Ⓒ Cause and Effect
3. Ⓐ Compare and Contrast
4. Ⓓ Sequence Events
5. Ⓑ Vocabulary
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8. Ⓓ Main Idea and Details
9. Ⓐ Fact or Opinion
10. Ⓓ Vocabulary
11. Answers will vary but should include the following: *If Yellowstone had not been protected, the land might have been taken over by people. The resources might be used up, and the animals might be hunted or pushed out of the area.*