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

1. What do overland trains do?
 - Ⓐ carry soil out of mines
 - Ⓑ haul loads to places without roads
 - Ⓒ dig large tunnels
 - Ⓓ move spacecraft in smaller pieces
2. The author included photos in this book to show _____.
 - Ⓐ how these vehicles are like monster trucks
 - Ⓑ kinds of vehicles of the future
 - Ⓒ how large these vehicles are
 - Ⓓ all the vehicles built in ancient times
3. Many of the vehicles in this book have enormous tires because _____.
 - Ⓐ big tires look better than small ones
 - Ⓑ so many people ride on them
 - Ⓒ they carry heavy loads
 - Ⓓ none of the above
4. What is the main reason that a vehicle bridge would be useful?
 - Ⓐ It can haul tons of dirt.
 - Ⓑ Other vehicles can drive across it when there is no other bridge.
 - Ⓒ It can dig tunnels faster than humans can.
 - Ⓓ It can break into the earth and scoop it up.
5. What do giant power shovels and the Bagger 288 have in common?
 - Ⓐ They both work in mines.
 - Ⓑ They are both as long as two football fields.
 - Ⓒ They can both carry hundreds of people.
 - Ⓓ They both move heavy objects off ships.

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6. Which of the following is not something a crane can do?
 - Ⓐ lift heavy things and move them
 - Ⓑ move goods from ships to land
 - Ⓒ help build tall buildings
 - Ⓓ dig under the surface of the earth
7. What is special about the Bagger 288?
 - Ⓐ It can move in water.
 - Ⓑ It was found in ancient Greece.
 - Ⓒ It is used to make tunnels.
 - Ⓓ It is the largest vehicle in the world.
8. *Anything that is not living and is used to move people or goods is a _____.*
 - Ⓐ tunnel
 - Ⓑ spacecraft
 - Ⓒ vehicle
 - Ⓓ platform
9. The author probably wrote this book to _____.
 - Ⓐ entertain
 - Ⓑ inform
 - Ⓒ persuade
 - Ⓓ all of the above
10. What is a **platform**?
 - Ⓐ a flat surface that is higher than the area around it
 - Ⓑ a tool for digging tunnels
 - Ⓒ goods carried by a large vehicle
 - Ⓓ none of the above
11. **Extended Response:** Besides being really big, what else do the vehicles in this book have in common?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Bigger Than a Monster Truck

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓑ *Main Idea and Details*
2. Ⓒ *Author's Purpose*
3. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. Ⓑ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
5. Ⓐ *Compare and Contrast*
6. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
7. Ⓓ *Main Idea and Details*
8. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓑ *Author's Purpose*
10. Ⓐ *Vocabulary*
11. Answers will vary but should include the idea that these vehicles all help people do jobs that they wouldn't otherwise be able to do.