

Name _____ Date _____

1. Why do leaves change colors in the fall?
 - Ⓐ They collect less sunlight.
 - Ⓑ They are making more food.
 - Ⓒ They are growing new leaves.
2. What is the effect of trees receiving less sunlight?
 - Ⓐ Trees make less food.
 - Ⓑ Trees drop their leaves.
 - Ⓒ Trees grow new leaves.
3. What does the picture on page 5 help readers to understand about how a leaf makes food?
 - Ⓐ It shows how a leaf changes color in the fall.
 - Ⓑ It shows the amount of food a leaf makes in a year.
 - Ⓒ It shows how the leaf collects sunlight, water, and air.
4. Why did the author write this book?
 - Ⓐ to entertain
 - Ⓑ to inform
 - Ⓒ to persuade
5. Listen to this sentence: *The leaves **change** color in the fall.* The word **change** means to become _____.
 - Ⓐ different
 - Ⓑ green
 - Ⓒ smarter
6. **Extended Response:** Have the student write (or dictate) two details from the book that are facts and an explanation of how the facts could be proved. Then, have the student write (or dictate) one opinion about trees or leaves, and explain how he or she knows it is an opinion.

Instructions: Sit next to the student and read the first question as you run your finger under the words. Ask the student to wait to answer until you have read all the choices. Repeat them if necessary. Have the student choose the best answer. Repeat with the remaining questions.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Why Do Leaves Change Color?

Main Comprehension Skill: Cause and Effect

1. Ⓐ Cause and Effect
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3. Ⓒ Main Idea and Details
4. Ⓑ Author's Purpose
5. Ⓐ Vocabulary
6. Answers will vary. Example:
One fact I read in the book is that trees drop their leaves before winter. Another fact I learned is that leaves change colors because they stop making food in the fall. I could prove these facts by reading other books and by observing trees in nature. One opinion I have about leaves is that they are amazing in the way they make food and change colors. I know this is an opinion because it expresses the way I feel, and other people may disagree.

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