

Quick Check

The Dragon in the Closet

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. What is the setting of the story?
 - Ⓐ a bedroom
 - Ⓑ a closet
 - Ⓒ a bathroom
 - Ⓓ a dad's room
2. Which word best describes Simon at the beginning of the story?
 - Ⓐ tired
 - Ⓑ happy
 - Ⓒ scared
 - Ⓓ lonely
3. Simon hates bedtime because _____.
 - Ⓐ he is afraid of the lion under his bed
 - Ⓑ he is afraid of loud noises at night
 - Ⓒ he is afraid of the dragon in his closet
 - Ⓓ he is afraid of bad dreams
4. What causes Simon to wake his dad?
 - Ⓐ He has a bad dream about a dragon.
 - Ⓑ He hears a noise in his closet.
 - Ⓒ He doesn't want to go to sleep.
 - Ⓓ He sees a lion under his bed.
5. After Simon tells his dad about the dragon, _____.
 - Ⓐ Dad makes him go back to bed
 - Ⓑ Dad explains why different beasts visit children at night
 - Ⓒ Dad turns on the light and sees a dragon
 - Ⓓ Dad shares the problem he had when he was a boy

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6. Readers know that Dad is caring because _____.
 - Ⓐ he responds to Simon immediately when he wakes him up
 - Ⓑ he gives Simon a hug and sends him back to bed
 - Ⓒ he tells Simon another bedtime story
 - Ⓓ he shares his own experiences
7. How are the dragon and the lion alike?
 - Ⓐ They both breathe fire.
 - Ⓑ They both live under children's beds.
 - Ⓒ They both want to scare children.
 - Ⓓ They both are creatures that are lonely.
8. What words from the book help readers understand the meaning of **lonely**?
 - Ⓐ *scary beasts and monsters*
 - Ⓑ *need a friend to play with*
 - Ⓒ *live in children's closets*
 - Ⓓ *became friends*
9. Simon feels _____ when Dad tells him about his childhood experience.
 - Ⓐ happy
 - Ⓑ nervous
 - Ⓒ relieved
 - Ⓓ afraid
10. What happens last in the story?
 - Ⓐ Simon hears about his dad's lion friend.
 - Ⓑ Simon goes to bed filled with excitement.
 - Ⓒ Simon wakes his dad because he's afraid.
 - Ⓓ Simon worries about the dragon in the closet.
11. **Extended Response:** If you were Simon, how would you have solved the problem in the story?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution

1. Ⓐ *Story Elements*
2. Ⓒ *Analyze Character*
3. Ⓒ *Problem and Solution*
4. Ⓑ *Cause and Effect*
5. Ⓓ *Sequence Events*
6. Ⓐ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
7. Ⓓ *Compare and Contrast*
8. Ⓑ *Vocabulary*
9. Ⓒ *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
10. Ⓑ *Sequence Events*
11. Answers will vary. Example:
If I were Simon, I would get a nightlight since the problem only happens when it's dark.