

Quick Check

Coyote and the Star

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

1. How does Coyote try to get the star to notice him?
 - Ⓐ He sits on a hilltop and waits for her.
 - Ⓑ He sings a song to her.
 - Ⓒ He calls out to her.
 - Ⓓ He brings her a special gift.
2. What elements of the story are real?
 - Ⓐ howling wolves
 - Ⓑ dancing stars
 - Ⓒ talking animals
 - Ⓓ none of the above
3. When Coyote **gazes** at the star, he is _____.
 - Ⓐ singing to the star
 - Ⓑ howling at the star
 - Ⓒ staring at the star
 - Ⓓ talking to the star
4. How does Coyote get up into the sky?
 - Ⓐ The star pulls him up.
 - Ⓑ He leaps off the mountain.
 - Ⓒ The wind gently lifts him up.
 - Ⓓ He climbs a ladder.
5. What does Wolf think about Coyote's feelings for the star?
 - Ⓐ Wolf is jealous that the star might love Coyote.
 - Ⓑ Wolf doesn't think that the star will love Coyote.
 - Ⓒ Wolf knows that the star will be kind to Coyote.
 - Ⓓ Wolf is angry about having to help Coyote again.
6. Why does Coyote decide to climb to the top of the mountain?
 - Ⓐ He wants to touch the star.
 - Ⓑ He wants to see the star better.
 - Ⓒ He wants to talk to the moon.
 - Ⓓ He wants to climb a ladder to the star.
7. What makes this story a type of folktale?
 - Ⓐ The story explains why stars come out at night.
 - Ⓑ The story explains why coyotes howl at the stars.
 - Ⓒ The story explains why coyotes run very fast.
 - Ⓓ All of the above

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8. What does Coyote find out when he dances with the star?

- Ⓐ Coyote misses his home.
- Ⓑ Coyote loves dancing with the star.
- Ⓒ The star is more beautiful than Coyote thought.
- Ⓓ The star loves Coyote.

9. Read this sentence: *Coyote **vows** to be good from that day on.* What does **vows** mean?

- Ⓐ promises
- Ⓑ begs
- Ⓒ likes
- Ⓓ sings

10. What happens because Coyote dies?

- Ⓐ Coyotes have a reason to howl at the stars.
- Ⓑ A beautiful lake is created.
- Ⓒ A large mountain is flattened.
- Ⓓ All the above

11. **Extended Response:** Tell how Coyote's dream about the star is different from and similar to what really happens with the star.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

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Main Comprehension Skill: Problem and Solution

1. Ⓑ Problem and Solution
2. Ⓐ Identify Genre
3. Ⓒ Vocabulary
4. Ⓐ Problem and Solution
5. Ⓑ Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions
6. Ⓐ Problem and Solution
7. Ⓑ Identify Genre
8. Ⓐ Analyze Character
9. Ⓐ Vocabulary
10. Ⓓ Cause and Effect
11. Answers will vary but might be similar to the following: *In his dream, Coyote climbs up to the stars on a ladder, and in the story, he climbs a mountain to reach the stars. In Coyote's dream, the star loves him, and they are happy together, but in the story, the star treats him cruelly and lets him tumble to his death.*