Answer Numbers 1 through 3. Base your answers on the story “The Sticks of Truth.”

1 Read this sentence from the story.

One day a judge stopped at an inn to rest, but the innkeeper was very upset.

An innkeeper is a person who

A builds an inn.
B owns an inn.
C stays at an inn.
D works for an inn.

2 When the judge handed out the sticks of truth, he MOST LIKELY thought

F the thief would confess immediately.
G the ring would be found under a bed.
H the thief would shorten his or her stick.
I one stick would grow longer during the night.

3 In order for the sticks of truth to work,

A the crime had to be very serious.
B the judge had to wish for them to work.
C the sticks needed to be put under a bed at night.
D the suspects had to believe they really were magic.
Answer Numbers 4 and 5. Base your answers on the stories “The Case of the Earthenware Pig” and “The Sticks of Truth.”

4 What makes these stories mysteries?
   F They have a plot, a setting, and characters.
   G They are about a character with a problem.
   H They involve a crime or unexplained event.
   I They involve characters who do not tell the truth.

5 How is Encyclopedia DIFFERENT from the judge? Use details and information from the stories to support your answer.

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Answer Numbers 6 through 9. Base your answers on the story “The Case of the Earthenware Pig.”

6 Read this sentence from the story.

**Bugs pointed at me and hollered, ‘Arrest that kid!’**

Which word could BEST replace *hollered* without changing the meaning of the sentence?

- A  gasped
- B  mumbled
- C  remarked
- D  shouted

7 Read these sentences from the story.

“*There isn’t a policeman in sight,*” he announced. “*You gave them the slip.*”

What does *gave them the slip* mean?

- F  told them a lie
- G  got away from them
- H  gave them some clues
- I  played a joke on them

8 What is Charlie’s BIGGEST problem in the story?

- A  He has to pay Encyclopedia.
- B  He has to find a place to hide.
- C  Bugs is accusing him of stealing.
- D  Bugs wants to trade a pig for his tooth collection.

9 Bugs wants Officer Carlson to think that he

- F  loves pigs.
- G  collects teeth.
- H  is honest and kind.
- I  is sneaky and clever.
Now answer Number 10. Base your answer on the story “The Sticks of Truth.”

10 The judge had a special way to solve his case. Use information and details from the story to explain:
• the mystery the judge was trying to solve, and
• how he solved it.
Answer Numbers 1 through 3. Base your answers on the story “The Sticks of Truth.”

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   C  stays at an inn.
   
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   (LA.4.1.7.3)
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Answer Numbers 4 and 5. Base your answers on the stories “The Case of the Earthenware Pig” and “The Sticks of Truth.”

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5 How is Encyclopedia DIFFERENT from the judge? Use details and information from the stories to support your answer.

Sample 2-point response: Encyclopedia is a boy who lives in America while the judge is an adult who lives in India. Encyclopedia solves his case by listening and asking questions. The judge solves his case by playing a trick on the thief.

Short-Response Rubric

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(LA.4.2.1.7)

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(LA.4.2.1.2)

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H is honest and kind.
I is sneaky and clever.

(LA.4.2.1.2)
Now answer Number 10. Base your answer on the story “The Sticks of Truth.”

The judge had a special way to solve his case. Use information and details from the story to explain:
- the mystery the judge was trying to solve, and
- how he solved it.

Sample 4-point response: The judge was trying to find out who had stolen a gold ring. He could not figure out who was guilty by asking questions, so he gave each suspect a stick. He told them the guilty person’s stick would grow during the night. The next morning, the judge looked at the sticks. One woman’s stick was shorter than all the others. The judge knew that this woman was guilty. She had cut off part of the stick because she believed that her guilt had caused it to grow over night.

Extended-Response Rubric

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