

High School Reading Comprehension Fundamentals

English Language Arts · Practice Test · 12 Questions

1. What is the term for a brief statement that captures the main points of a text?

- A) Summary
- B) Thesis
- C) Bibliography
- D) Footnote

2. Which literary device involves giving human qualities to non-human objects?

- A) Metaphor
- B) Personification
- C) Hyperbole
- D) Alliteration

3. What is the primary purpose of an expository text?

- A) To entertain the reader
- B) To persuade the reader
- C) To explain or inform
- D) To express personal feelings

4. Which part of a plot structure introduces the characters, setting, and basic conflict?

- A) Climax
- B) Rising Action
- C) Resolution
- D) Exposition

5. In a non-fiction text, what do 'headings' help the reader identify?

- A) The author's opinion
- B) The main topic of a section
- C) The publisher's information
- D) The index of the book

6. What does the term 'inference' mean in reading comprehension?

- A) Restating the text word-for-word
- B) Drawing a conclusion based on evidence
- C) Identifying the author's biography
- D) Checking the dictionary definition

7. Which figure of speech makes a comparison using the words 'like' or 'as'?

- A) Simile
- B) Metaphor
- C) Onomatopoeia
- D) Oxymoron

8. What is the 'protagonist' of a story?

- A) The narrator
- B) The main character
- C) The antagonist's assistant
- D) The setting

9. In a persuasive essay, what is the 'thesis statement'?

- A) A list of facts
- B) The main argument or claim
- C) A summary of the conclusion
- D) An anecdote about the author

10. What does a 'chronological' text structure indicate?

- A) Events are ordered by importance
- B) Events are organized by time
- C) Events are described by location
- D) Events are arranged by category

11. What is the primary function of an index in a textbook?

- A) To provide a list of vocabulary definitions
- B) To show a list of contents
- C) To guide the reader to specific topics
- D) To give a biography of the author

12. Which term describes the vantage point from which a story is told?

- A) Theme
- B) Tone
- C) Point of view
- D) Genre