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

1. What is one of the reasons Terry almost didn't make the basketball team?
 - (A) He was too busy with other sports.
 - (B) He wasn't very tall.
 - (C) He didn't try very hard.
 - (D) He was only in the seventh grade.

2. Terry found out he had cancer soon after he _____.
 - (A) hurt his knee in a car accident
 - (B) had a routine physical with his basketball team
 - (C) made the eighth-grade basketball team
 - (D) was in his final year at Simon Fraser University

3. Terry was still fearful after his right leg was removed because he _____.
 - (A) thought he might also lose his left leg
 - (B) was certain he would never play basketball again
 - (C) had never been in a wheelchair before
 - (D) wasn't sure if the cancer was fully gone

4. According to the text, what helped Terry walk after his leg was removed?
 - (A) a wheelchair
 - (B) a new treatment
 - (C) a prosthetic
 - (D) a crutch

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5. In the section "A New and Different Life," why does the author mention activities such as wheelchair basketball?
 - Ⓐ to give examples of activities Terry did not enjoy
 - Ⓑ to highlight how Terry's life would never be the same
 - Ⓒ to show all the different activities Terry could do in a wheelchair
 - Ⓓ to introduce the activity Terry would use for his charity

6. The main reason Terry decides he wants to run across Canada is because he _____.
 - Ⓐ wanted to do it before he got cancer
 - Ⓑ never backed down from any challenge
 - Ⓒ could raise money to help cancer research
 - Ⓓ wanted to become famous

7. The author mentions the cold weather and Terry's sunburned legs in order to _____.
 - Ⓐ highlight the difficulties Terry had running across Canada
 - Ⓑ warn other people not to try such a long run on their own
 - Ⓒ show it was dangerous that Terry was doing this run by himself
 - Ⓓ praise Terry for his courage and talent

8. Why did Terry have to stop his race across Canada?
 - Ⓐ He missed his brother too much and wanted to see him.
 - Ⓑ He had already raised enough money for cancer research.
 - Ⓒ He was in too much pain from running for so long.
 - Ⓓ He got the news that his cancer had returned.

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9. The author mentions that “Terry’s fight against cancer didn’t end with his death” in order to _____.
- Ⓐ show that Terry’s story still helps raise money for cancer research
 - Ⓑ introduce several different cancer-research charities
 - Ⓒ inspire readers to want to run marathons across Canada
 - Ⓓ encourage people to go into medicine to research cancer
10. What was the author’s purpose in writing this book?
- Ⓐ to inform readers of the dangers of rare forms of cancer
 - Ⓑ to highlight different ways to participate in sports
 - Ⓒ to describe the difference a single person can make in the world
 - Ⓓ to explain the difficulties in playing sports in wheelchairs
11. **Extended Response:** What were some of the things Terry did that show readers that he was brave? Give at least two examples. Use evidence from the book to support your answer.
12. **Extended Response:** How did Terry’s brother, Darrel, and his friend Doug help him through challenging times in his life?

Quick Check Answer Sheet

The Terry Fox Story

Main Comprehension Skill: Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions

1. (B) *Main Idea and Details*
2. (A) *Sequence of Events*
3. (D) *Make Inferences / Draw Conclusions*
4. (C) *Main Idea and Details*
5. (B) *Author's Purpose*
6. (C) *Main Idea and Details*
7. (A) *Author's Purpose*
8. (D) *Cause and Effect*
9. (A) *Author's Purpose*
10. (C) *Author's Purpose*
11. Answers will vary. Example: *Terry was a brave person because even though he got terrible news about his health, he "learned to let go of his anger" and be a positive person in the face of a scary disease. Also, Terry was brave because he learned to do difficult activities, such as going up mountains, playing basketball, and running marathons, that are even harder in a wheelchair or with a prosthetic leg.*
12. Answers will vary. Example: *When Terry was younger, he played soccer and baseball with Darrell and Doug. Terry's friendship with Doug helped him train to get better at basketball, and he received Athlete of the Year. Later when Terry was diagnosed with cancer, Doug went with him on the Marathon of Hope, drove the van, and helped him on his journey. As Terry grew tired after weeks of running, his spirits were lifted when Darrell joined him. Both Doug and Darrell were important to Terry, and they helped support him in many ways.*