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A New Home March 23, 2018

Use this week’s cover story to answer the questions. For each question, circle the letter next to the best answer.

Read for Detail (RI.5.1; RI.6.1)

- 1.** According to the article, how many animals make the National Aquarium their home?
- A. nine
 - B. 26
 - C. seven
 - D. nearly 20,000

Define Words and Phrases (RI.5.4; RI.6.4)

- 2.** Read this sentence from the article: “We really are creating a new model for how humans and dolphins interact.” What is the definition of *model* as it is used in this sentence?
- A. an example for imitation
 - B. a particular type of product that a company makes
 - C. a miniature representation of something
 - D. a person who poses for a photographer, painter, or sculptor

Identify Central Idea (RI.5.2; RI.6.2)

- 3.** What could be another title for the section “Dolphins First”?
- A. “Building a New Aquarium”
 - B. “Giving Dolphins a New Life”
 - C. “Giving Dolphins Less Freedom”
 - D. “Preparing Dolphins for a New Home”

Make Inferences (RI.5.1; RI.6.1)

- 4.** Lori Marino, who started the Kimmela Center for Animal Advocacy, would most likely to agree that
- A. dolphins are healthier in captivity.
 - B. dolphins should not live in concrete tanks.
 - C. dolphins should be exposed to birds.
 - D. dolphins enjoy wearing sunglasses.

Read for Detail (RI.5.1; RI.6.1)

- 5.** Which new technology has allowed scientists to learn more about dolphins?
- A. echolocation
 - B. GPS tags
 - C. drones
 - D. both B and C

Identify Claims and Evidence (RI.5.8; RI.6.8)

- 6.** According to Naomi Rose, “We humans don’t know how to teach them to be wild dolphins.” Which piece of evidence best supports this statement?
- A. “They’re going to be bored.”
 - B. “But its search is guided by a dolphin-first philosophy.”
 - C. “Their mothers teach them what to eat, how to hunt, and how to stay safe.”
 - D. “Trainers in Baltimore are preparing the dolphins for real change.”

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Define Words and Phrases (RI.5.4; RI.6.4)

- 7.** Which sentences from the article provide the best clue to the meaning of the phrase *couch potatoes* in paragraph 4?
- A. “For this reason, the sanctuary will probably be located off the coast of Florida, in the Atlantic Ocean or the Caribbean.”
 - B. “Eventually, algae and other natural substances will be added to the dolphins’ tank.”
 - C. “They’re not going to get the exercise they need to be healthy.”
 - D. “But soon, the dolphin colony will make a big move.”

Make Connections (RI.5.3; RI.6.3)

- 8.** Why will the new sanctuary be separated from the ocean by a cage or natural barrier?
- A. Dolphins born in captivity can only survive in a concrete tank.
 - B. Dolphins born in captivity don’t have the instincts to survive in the open ocean.
 - C. The cage or natural barrier will allow dolphins to use echolocation.
 - D. The cage or natural barrier will mix temperate and tropical waters.

Analyze Structure (RI.5.4; RI.6.4)

- 9.** The author included the section titled “A Better Understanding” in order to
- A. explain the effects of captivity on the behavior of dolphins.
 - B. demand that aquariums set dolphins free.
 - C. describe the sanctuary and how trainers are preparing the dolphins for their new habitat.
 - D. argue that dolphins should be held in captivity.

Read for Detail (RI.5.1; RI.6.1)

- 10.** Which of the following statements is *not* true?
- A. The new dolphin sanctuary will be located off the coast of Baltimore, Maryland.
 - B. The National Aquarium will transfer its dolphins to the sanctuary by 2021.
 - C. There are about 616 captive whales and dolphins in the U.S. and Canada.
 - D. Visitors will only be able to see the dolphins from a distance.

Bonus

Do you think dolphins should be moved from aquariums to sanctuaries? Include at least two pieces of supporting textual evidence in your response. Write your answer on a separate sheet of paper.