• Reading Comprehension 5  Level 2

Directions: Read the passage. Then answer the questions below.

Passage

Tom is going on a trip to the mountains.

Tom needs to take his bag. The bag is brown. The bag is small. The bag is small and brown.

Tom opens the bag. Tom wants to put things in the bag. Tom wants to pack his bag.

Tom puts a toothbrush in the bag.
Tom puts a map in the bag.
Tom puts boots in the bag.
Tom puts a camera in the bag.
Tom puts a book in the bag.

Tom closes the bag. But the bag cannot close!

Tom takes the boots out of the bag. He puts them on his feet.
Snap! Snap!

Now the bag can close. Tom is ready to go!

Questions

1) Where is Tom going?

A. He is going on a trip to the city.
B. He is going on a trip to the beach.
C. He is going on a trip to the mountains.

2) Tom has a bag. His bag is

I. small
II. brown
III. old

A. I only
B. I and II only
C. I, II, and III
3) What does Tom put in the bag?
   A. a map
   B. money
   C. a jacket
   A. I only
   B. I and II only
   C. I, II, and III

4) Tom does not put _________ in the bag.
   A. boots
   B. a camera
   C. a hat

5) If you pack a bag, this mean you
   A. take things out of it
   B. put things into it
   C. open and close it

6) Using the things in the bag, Tom can _________ on the trip.
   A. go fishing
   B. take pictures
   C. make a tent

7) After Tom puts his things in the bag, he _________ the bag.
   A. puts
   B. closes
   C. opens

8) What does Tom take out of the bag?
   A. boots
   B. a camera
   C. a toothbrush

9) What is the best title for this passage?
   A. A Trip to the Mountains
   B. Tom Packs His Bag
   C. Tom Puts a Camera in the Bag
Answers and Explanations

1) C
In the beginning of the passage, it says "Tom is going on a trip to the mountains." Choice (C) is correct.

2) B
In the beginning of the passage, it says "The bag is brown." This means option (I) is true. In the beginning of the passage, it says "The bag is small." This means option (II) is true. The passage does not say that the bag is old. This means option (III) is not true. Choice (B) is correct.

3) A
In the middle of the passage, it says "Tom puts a map in the bag." Choice (A) is correct.

4) C
In the middle of the passage, it says, "Tom puts boots in the bag. Tom puts a camera in the bag." The passage does not say that Tom puts a hat in the bag. (C) is correct.

5) B
In the middle of the passage, it says, "Tom wants to put things in the bag. Tom wants to pack his bag." Tom continues to put things into his bag. This lets us know that pack means to put things into a bag. Choice (B) is correct.

6) B
In the middle of the passage, it says, "Tom puts a camera in the bag." Tom can use the camera to take pictures on the trip. Choice (B) is correct.

7) B
First, Tom opens the bag. Tom wants to put things in the bag. After Tom puts things in the bag, Tom closes the bag. Choice (B) is correct.

8) A
At the end of the passage, it says "Tom takes the boots out of the bag." Choice (A) is correct.

9) B
A good title describes the main idea of the passage. In the beginning, middle, and end of the passage, it talks about Tom as he packs his bag. This is the main idea. So choice (B) is correct. In the beginning of the passage, it says "Tom is going on a trip to the mountains." But the passage does not talk about his trip. So this is only a detail. It is not the main idea. Choice (A) is incorrect. In the middle of the passage, it says "Tom puts a camera in the bag." But the passage does not talk about his camera. So this is only a detail. It is not the main idea. Choice (C) is incorrect.