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DIRECTIONS

Read the text and then answer the questions.

June was always telling stories. She talked about her family. They went on a lot of adventures. Her family loved her stories. Sometimes she would exaggerate. "It didn't happen quite like that," her mom said. "Where do your stories come from?"

"I have a wild imagination!" June would say.

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1. (Y) (N)

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Total**1.** Which title best fits this text?

- (A) June's Family
 (B) Exaggerated Stories
 (C) Imaginations
 (D) Storytelling

2. June has a conflict with

- (A) her mother.
 (B) herself.
 (C) her teacher.
 (D) her brother.

3. Which two words from the text have the same vowel sound?

- (A) *her* and *went*
 (B) *lot* and *loved*
 (C) *come* and *from*
 (D) *that* and *was*

4. Which word has the root word *happen*?

- (A) happy
 (B) hap
 (C) happened
 (D) open

5. What does the phrase *wild imagination* mean?

- (A) pretending to be an animal
 (B) thinking about wild animals
 (C) having a good imagination and coming up with lots of ideas
 (D) having little imagination

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The Strong Man in the circus was amazing to watch. He could lift very heavy things, sometimes with just one hand! The crowd was in awe of his strength. He would lift huge weights as though they were as light as a feather. People wondered how a person got to be so strong. The Strong Man was definitely one of the best acts of the show.

1. Which title would tell a reader more about this text?

- (A) A Circus
- (B) The Strong Man
- (C) Lifting Weights
- (D) Amazing Strength

2. What is the text about?

- (A) being as light as a feather
- (B) a crowd pleaser
- (C) the Strong Man's popular circus act
- (D) a crowded circus

3. Which word has the same vowel sound as *powder*?

- (A) show
- (B) awe
- (C) how
- (D) watch

4. What is a definition of the word *awe*?

- (A) fear
- (B) admiration
- (C) invisible
- (D) hurt

5. Which phrase from the text is a simile?

- (A) amazing to watch
- (B) as light as a feather
- (C) lift huge weights
- (D) one of the best acts

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The lumberjacks went to work on the tree. They knew that it had to come down today. They got all their tools ready to cut it. It was hard work that required a lot of strength and focus to keep safe. The lumberjacks were part of a team that relied on one another. It took many of them working together to bring some of those big trees down safely!

1. Who are the main characters?

- (A) lumberjacks
(B) trees
(C) tools
(D) strong people

2. What is the setting?

- (A) in a lumber mill
(B) in a forest
(C) in a large city
(D) in a truck

3. Which two words have the same vowel sound?

- (A) *cut* and *work*
(B) *got* and *down*
(C) *trees* and *tools*
(D) *each* and *trees*

4. Which word has the same root as *relied*?

- (A) really
(B) reliable
(C) elie
(D) reel

5. Which title best fits the text?

- (A) Cut Down All the Trees
(B) Working in the Forest
(C) Lumberjack Larry
(D) My Favorite Tools

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Paul Bunyan

Paul Bunyan was a big, tall, strong lumberjack. The story of his life is a folktale. It has been shared with each new generation. The story has been exaggerated. It is a folktale that many people still know.

Most tales of Paul Bunyan include his sidekick. A *sidekick* is a friend who is always by your side. Paul's sidekick was a blue ox called Babe. The stories of Paul and Babe all describe how strong Paul Bunyan was. In fact, when he was born, it took five storks to carry the infant! He was quite large. When he was just a week old, Paul had to wear his father's clothes.

As he grew older, Paul was always out with Babe and helping with different projects. Paul and Babe often used their strength to help people in need. One day, a group of loggers discovered a huge log jam. It was in the Wisconsin River. The logs were almost 200 feet high! The jam continued for a mile or more. Paul and Babe came to help. Babe got in the water and moved his tail back and forth. The water became quite rough, causing the jam to move upstream while moving the logs. With each movement of his tail, more logs began to break apart from the jam. Finally, the logs began to move more and float downstream.



The story of Paul Bunyan still lives on today. People enjoy hearing about the big, strong man and his big, strong ox.

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1. Which statement about Paul Bunyan is **not** correct?
- (A) Paul Bunyan used his strength to help people.
- (B) Paul Bunyan was larger than regular people.
- (C) Paul Bunyan chopped down trees everywhere he went.
- (D) Paul Bunyan had a companion who helped him.

2. Which sentence shows the author's opinion?
- (A) Paul's sidekick was a blue ox called Babe.
- (B) People enjoy hearing about the big, strong man and his big, strong ox.
- (C) Paul and Babe came to help.
- (D) Most tales of Paul Bunyan include his sidekick.

3. Who could make a personal connection to the text?
- (A) a person who is very short and needs help reaching things
- (B) a fisherman
- (C) a person who has a large dog as a pet
- (D) a lumberjack

4. Which word describes the Paul Bunyan character?

- (A) awkward
- (B) helpful
- (C) clumsy
- (D) serious

5. What does this text tell you about folktales?

- (A) They are easily forgotten.
- (B) They are about strong people.
- (C) They are important stories passed down through the generations.
- (D) They are shared at the holidays.

6. Which other story features a character who has an animal sidekick?

- (A) *Sleeping Beauty*
- (B) *The Three Little Bears*
- (C) *Cinderella*
- (D) *Curious George*

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Reread “Paul Bunyan.” Then, read the prompt and respond on the lines below.

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Think about an exaggerated story that you know or have heard. What is the story, and how do you know it has been exaggerated?

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