

Name _____ Date _____

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

1. How does a frog begin its life in the pond?
 - (A) as an egg
 - (B) as a tadpole
 - (C) as a blue heron
2. How are ducks the same as turtles?
 - (A) They both sleep in the mud in winter.
 - (B) They both eat small fish.
 - (C) They both hop on the water.
3. What is the main idea of this book?
 - (A) Ducks eat tiny plants.
 - (B) Many fish swim in ponds.
 - (C) Many living things are found at the pond.
4. What is a detail about a duck?
 - (A) Ducks dive to catch small fish.
 - (B) Ducks sleep in the mud during the winter.
 - (C) Ducks pile sticks on the pond.
5. Which animal is an insect?
 - (A) a duck
 - (B) a turtle
 - (C) a water strider
6. **Extended Response:** Explain why you think so many animals live in and around the pond.

Quick Check Answer Sheet

Life at the Pond

Main Comprehension Skill: Main Idea and Details

1. Ⓐ *Sequence of Events*
2. Ⓑ *Compare and Contrast*
3. Ⓒ *Main Idea and Details*
4. Ⓐ *Main Idea and Details*
5. Ⓒ *Vocabulary*
6. Answers will vary but should include the idea that the water, grass, rocks, trees, mud, and so on, provide a habitat for many different kinds of animals and that the large numbers of animals attract predators.