

“The Spiderwick Chronicles” Quiz

Directions: Read the play “The Spiderwick Chronicles” in the January 2008 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

1. Which words BEST describe the setting of the play?

- (A) cozy and comfortable
- (B) dull and predictable
- (C) spooky and fantastical
- (D) typically suburban

2. Everyone in the Grace family easily adapts to their new home EXCEPT

- (A) Simon
- (B) Jared
- (C) Mallory
- (D) Helen

3. What is Jared’s FIRST clue that there is something strange about the house?

- (A) He discovers Arthur Spiderwick’s field guide.
- (B) He hears a tapping in the wall and finds a secret door.
- (C) He meets Thimbletack.
- (D) He finds a note that says, “This house is strange.”

4. What does Jared learn about by reading the book he finds?

- (A) fencing
- (B) Arthur Spiderwick
- (C) how to change into a bogart
- (D) creatures of the unseen world

5. What problem do Thimbletack and the other creatures face?

- (A) They have to keep the book away from the ogre.
- (B) They are running out of food in the attic.
- (C) Jared is threatening them.
- (D) Simon tells the ogre where they are.

6. Mulgarath appears as a friendly old man to Simon, but he’s really

- (A) vicious.
- (B) timid.
- (C) young.
- (D) sorrowful.

7. What is one major difference between Simon and Jared?

- (A) Simon is older than Jared.
- (B) Jared knows how to escape from a cage, but Simon doesn’t.
- (C) Simon wants to give the ogre the book, but Jared doesn’t.
- (D) Jared knows how to talk to the goblins, but Simon doesn’t.

8. What is a synonym for the word “transforms” in the sentence, “Jared continues to watch as Mulgarath transforms into his true form.”?

- (A) shrinks
- (B) moves
- (C) rushes
- (D) changes

9. The cliffhanger ending lets you _____ what will happen next.

- (A) know
- (B) predict
- (C) approve of
- (D) investigate

10. What genre is this play?

- (A) historical fiction
- (B) autobiography
- (C) realistic fiction
- (D) fantasy