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“The School at the Edge of the Earth” Quiz

Directions: Read the nonfiction article “The School at the Edge of the Earth” on page 8 of the November/December 2008 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

1. When does this story mainly take place?

- (A) early 1800s
- (B) late 1800s
- (C) early 1900s
- (D) late 1900s

2. Which best describes how Ota Kte felt as he rode the train to Pennsylvania?

- (A) angry and rebellious
- (B) excited and happy
- (C) scared and curious
- (D) sad but accepting

3. Which of the following hardships did white people bring to Native Americans?

- (A) diseases
- (B) struggle for land
- (C) warfare with guns and cannons
- (D) all of the above

4. How many native people died in the decades before 1879?

- (A) 100,000
- (B) 300,000
- (C) half a million
- (D) more than 1 million

5. From Pratt’s point of view, what would he accomplish from opening Carlisle?

- (A) He would help Indians get ahead in life.
- (B) He would free the Great Plains of Indians.
- (C) He would show teachers how to run a good school.
- (D) He would show white people they were smarter than Native Americans.

6. The Native American students got “American” names, haircuts, and _____.

- (A) parties
- (B) clothing
- (C) horses
- (D) guns

7. What does “infuriated” mean in, “The sight of their children dressed like American soldiers infuriated the chiefs.”?

- (A) pleased
- (B) impressed
- (C) saddened
- (D) angered

8. What did Luther Standing Bear eventually become?

- (A) a doctor
- (B) an Army captain
- (C) a teacher and writer
- (D) a musician

Critical Thinking

Directions: On a separate piece of paper, write your answers in well-organized paragraphs. Make sure you support your answer with information and details from the article!

9. Why did Captain Pratt want to “kill” the Indian part of native people?

10. Explain one way that attending Carlisle helped and one way it hurt Luther Standing Bear.