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“Deadly Bites” Quiz

Directions: Read the nonfiction article “Deadly Bites” in the November/December 2009 issue of *Storyworks*. Then fill in the circle next to the best answer for each question.

1. What is this article mainly about?

- (A) peanut butter factories
- (B) food poisoning
- (C) Thanksgiving dinner
- (D) fast-food restaurants

2. How many people in the U.S. get sick from salmonella poisoning each year?

- (A) 500
- (B) 2,500
- (C) 19,000
- (D) 1.4 million

3. What is one effect of having food come from many different sources?

- (A) It’s difficult to track down the source of food poisoning.
- (B) The food loses its flavor.
- (C) The prices rise.
- (D) The food is safer to eat.

4. Which of the following is NOT a result of the E. coli outbreak at Jack-in-the-Box?

- (A) Fast-food hamburgers are cooked to 150 degrees Fahrenheit.
- (B) Food cannot come from other countries.
- (C) The government enacted stricter food laws.
- (D) A national tracking system for food poisoning outbreaks was created.

5. Why does the author compare the members of “Team Diarrhea” to Sherlock Holmes?

- (A) They used magnifying glasses.
- (B) They were all from London.
- (C) They did detective work to solve a mystery.
- (D) They dressed like Sherlock Holmes.

6. When a product is taken off store shelves and people are advised not to use it, the product is _____.

- (A) recalled
- (B) relocated
- (C) overhauled
- (D) retreated

7. What made Christopher Meunier ill?

- (A) King Nut peanut butter
- (B) a brownie
- (C) peanut butter crackers
- (D) roasted peanuts

8. What does the 2009 Food Safety Modernization Act aim to achieve?

- (A) more frequent inspections of food plants
- (B) labels indicating where food is from
- (C) improved communication about contaminated food
- (D) all of the above

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 so many people get sick from peanuts contaminated at one small plant?

10. In what ways can the government protect people from food poisoning?