

COMPREHENSION CHECK

PCP # 8

1. What is the main purpose of this myth's first paragraph?
 - A. to explain how Hera punished Echo
 - B. to let readers know that Artemis, goddess of the hunt, was one of Echo's friends
 - C. to introduce and describe Echo
 - D. to explain that Echo lived long ago

2. In the third paragraph, Hera says that Echo's incessant chatter has delayed her. Which of these is the best synonym for *incessant*?
 - A. loud
 - B. wise
 - C. endless
 - D. guilty

3. Hera punished Echo because
 - A. she was envious of Echo's lovely voice.
 - B. Echo had kept her from catching Zeus with the nymphs.
 - C. she had found Echo flirting with her husband.
 - D. Echo hadn't talked about anything that was interesting.

4. Based on what you read in this myth, you can conclude that Narcissus
 - A. had been in love many times.
 - B. only liked talkative nymphs.
 - C. liked to go hunting with his friends.
 - D. didn't care if he hurt the feelings of others.

5. In the fifth paragraph, it says that Echo felt forlorn and ashamed. Which of the following is the best antonym for *forlorn*?
 - A. cheerful
 - B. frightened
 - C. weak
 - D. attractive

6. Why didn't the youth that Narcissus saw in the pool come out to be with Narcissus?
 - A. He felt no affection for Narcissus.
 - B. He preferred to stay in his watery home.
 - C. He couldn't because he was Narcissus's reflection in the water.
 - D. He wanted to punish Narcissus for his cruel treatment of Echo.

7. Suppose Narcissus had said, "Pretty nymph, let's go hunting together." What would Echo have replied?
 - A. "I would love to go hunting with you."
 - B. "Go hunting together."
 - C. "Pretty nymph."
 - D. "First tell me your name."

8. This myth gives an explanation for why
 - A. the sound of the happy laughter of nymphs can still be heard at waterfalls.
 - B. people like white flowers.
 - C. ripples can be seen on the surface of deep pools.
 - D. people can sometimes hear answers when they call out "hello" in places like caves.