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**COMPREHENSION CHECK**

Fill in the circle before the correct answer to each question below.

1. Which sentence is *not* true?
  - (a) Earth got colder over the past 100 years.
  - (b) Last year had many hurricanes.
  - (c) The ocean has warmed up.
  - (d) Scientists are not sure why strong storms are more common.
2. What's the name for a close link between two kinds of animals?
  - (a) inverse relationship
  - (b) paternal relationship
  - (c) symbiotic relationship
  - (d) unitary relationship
3. Why did slave owners not teach slaves to read?
  - (a) Reading might strain slaves' eyes.
  - (b) Slaves could not afford books.
  - (c) Slaves did not seem interested in reading.
  - (d) Slaves who could read might want freedom.
4. When did humans first walk on the moon?
  - (a) 1929
  - (b) 1949
  - (c) 1969
  - (d) 1989
5. How fast are hurricane winds?
  - (a) at least 54 miles an hour
  - (b) at least 64 miles an hour
  - (c) at least 74 miles an hour
  - (d) at least 84 miles an hour
6. Which animal cleans crocodile teeth?
  - (a) clownfish
  - (b) plover
  - (c) ratel
  - (d) sea anemone
7. Who was the first African-American woman to publish a book?
  - (a) Maya Angelou
  - (b) Harriet Tubman
  - (c) Phillis Wheatley
  - (d) Oprah Winfrey
8. What are maria?
  - (a) craters
  - (b) mountains
  - (c) plains
  - (d) rivers