

Common Core Aligned Comprehension Assessment

Where the Wild Things Are CCSS Assessment

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Directions:

Use what you know about *Where the Wild Things Are* to answer each of the following questions.

1. Which of these key details is important to understanding Max's story?

- ☐ A Max's wolf suit was white.
- ☐ B Max's mother called him a "wild thing" and sent him to bed without supper.
- ☐ C Max had a private boat.
- ☐ D The wild things had terrible teeth.

2. Max gets lonely and sails back home. What lesson can we learn from this?

- ☐ A Max likes to sail.
- ☐ B Max was afraid of the wild things and their king.
- ☐ C His room was more fun.
- ☐ D The best place to be is wherever someone loves you best of all.

3. How does Max change after the wild rumpus with the wild things?

- ☐ A He realizes having someone to love you is more important than being a wild thing all the time.
- ☐ B He loves it so much he decides to stay with the wild things forever.
- ☐ C He never wants to be a wild thing again.
- ☐ D He is gone so long that he grows too big for his wolf suit.

4. Why does the author repeat the part about the wild things' terrible roars, teeth, eyes, and claws?

- ☐ A It rhymes.
- ☐ B It shows us how adorable they are.
- ☐ C It shows how wild and scary they are.
- ☐ D It is a good example of foreshadowing.

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5. Max gets sent to his room without supper for being too wild. How does he solve his problem? (RL.2.5)

- ☐ A He apologizes to his mom.
- ☐ B He makes a big mess of everything in his room.
- ☒ C He imagines going to a place where all the wild things are so he can keep being wild.
- ☐ D He gets into his pajamas and reads until he falls asleep.

6. Max gets lonely being away from home. Which other character would probably feel the same way? (RL.2.6)

- ☐ A His wolf suit
- ☐ B The monster in the ocean
- ☐ C The monsters in the new land
- ☒ D Max's mom

7. How do the illustrations help you understand what a "wild rumpus" is like? (RL.2.7)

- ☐ A The illustrations show how calm the monsters are acting.
- ☒ B They show how the monsters howl at the moon and hang from the trees, very wildly.
- ☐ C The illustrations show us that a "wild rumpus" just means it is dinner time.
- ☐ D They show how small the monsters are compared to Max.

8. How is Max the same as his mother? (RL.2.9)

- ☐ A His mom is an adult, and Max is a child.
- ☒ B They both end up being in charge of "wild things."
- ☐ C They both like sailing.
- ☐ D They both like to be quiet and calm.

9. Max's mom might apologize to him for calling him a "WILD THING." How do you know that might happen? (RL.2.10)

- ☒ A She brought him hot dinner even though she said he had to go to bed without.
- ☐ B She let him go hungry until morning.
- ☐ C He is all grown up now and she missed him.
- ☐ D She is afraid he might really eat her up.

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Answer Key