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# Be a Quiz Whiz!

For each question below, fill in the circle next to the correct answer.

- Based on what you have read in *Scholastic News*, you know that Cuba is a neighbor of the U.S. because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - it has the same type of government
  - it is a short distance away
  - Americans can now travel there
  - it is an island nation
- Which is NOT a known benefit of using a stand-up desk in a classroom?
  - Kids focus better in class.
  - Kids learn at a workstation that is designed for comfort.
  - Kids have the option to choose the working style they like best.
  - Kids score higher on standardized tests.
- You can guess that frogs are often called an "indicator species" because \_\_\_\_\_.
  - they are very rare
  - they are often very bright in color
  - their existence is often a sign of the health of an ecosystem
  - they are very small creatures
- One of President Barack Obama's plans for improving education in the U.S. is centered on \_\_\_\_\_.
  - instituting new learning standards
  - repairing and building new schools
  - changing how schools are run
  - changing the requirements for becoming a teacher
- Which statement is an OPINION and not a FACT?
  - The first 100 days of a presidency are the best days of a presidency.
  - The President was inaugurated this winter.
  - Republicans are the minority party in both houses of Congress.
  - Presidents have a lot of responsibilities.
- Based on what you have read in the article "Growing Rumble," you know that volcanic activity \_\_\_\_\_.
  - occurs everywhere
  - occurs only in Hawaii
  - cannot be predicted
  - can be predicted well in advance
- You can guess from reading the article "The President's Progress" that the main purpose of the \$787 billion stimulus bill is \_\_\_\_\_.
  - to increase government workers' pay
  - to pay every American a salary
  - to help other countries suffering from the economic slowdown
  - to aid the U.S. economy
- How often is the Lemon Festival in Menton, France, held?
  - weekly
  - monthly
  - annually
  - biannually
- Which statement supports the fact that U.S.-Cuban relations have been "frosty" over the years?
  - "For the past year, she has been exchanging postcards with a Cuban boy..."
  - "The U.S. has viewed Cuba as a threat..."
  - "Cuba is a small island-nation..."
  - "People have fewer personal freedoms..."
- You can guess from looking at the cover of this week's *Scholastic News* that President Obama most likely thinks he has done \_\_\_\_\_ during his first 100 days in office.
  - very little
  - a bad job
  - a few minor things
  - a good job