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"One to Watch" Quiz

Directions: Read the article "One to Watch" and answer each of the following questions.

1. The *Sports Illustrated* cover line "Baseball's Chosen One" implies that Bryce is destined to . . .
Ⓐ work hard.
Ⓑ complete school at 16.
Ⓒ get stuck in the Minor League.
Ⓓ be the best.

2. Which of the following is an opinion?
Ⓐ Bryce's batting average last season was .626.
Ⓑ Bryce was right to finish high school early to pursue his career.
Ⓒ At the end of his sophomore year, Bryce was 6'3" tall.
Ⓓ Many people expect Bryce to be the No. 1 Major League Baseball draft pick.

3. Which of the following was a clue that Bryce would have natural talent in baseball?
Ⓐ He weighed 205 pounds at the end of his sophomore year.
Ⓑ He played Tee Ball with 7-year-olds when he was 3.
Ⓒ He practiced hitting dried red beans.
Ⓓ He maintained a 3.5 grade point average.

4. What can you tell about Bryce from the way he responds to compliments?
Ⓐ He's arrogant.
Ⓑ He doesn't like to get compliments.
Ⓒ He doesn't like to work hard.
Ⓓ He always wants to improve.

5. Why does Bryce practice swinging at small objects?
Ⓐ to improve his hand-eye coordination
Ⓑ to be ready for different-sized baseballs
Ⓒ to preserve his baseball bat
Ⓓ to have fun

6. How many years of high school did Bryce forgo in order to be eligible for the Major League draft sooner?
Ⓐ 1
Ⓑ 2
Ⓒ 3
Ⓓ 4

7. Choose the best synonym for **atypical** in the following sentence: "Bryce's **atypical** journey to college makes him eligible for the draft sooner than if he had stayed at his high school."
Ⓐ unusual
Ⓑ fast
Ⓒ poorly prepared
Ⓓ normal

8. Which best describes Bryce's goals for the future?
Ⓐ modest
Ⓑ unrealistic
Ⓒ ambitious
Ⓓ uncertain

9. The article explains that Bryce lives by the idea, "You can always get better." Do you agree or disagree? Why?

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10. What do you think most contributes to Bryce's success? Explain your answer.

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