

Comprehension Check

Little Blue, Little Gray



Circle the best answer.

1. When did the War Between the States begin?
 - a. November, 1860
 - b. April, 1861
 - c. July 4, 1776
 - d. April, 1865

2. Why was Johnny nicknamed "Johnny Shiloh"?
 - a. He was sent to get reinforcements for Gen. Grant.
 - b. The men at Shiloh appreciated Johnny's help.
 - c. He spotted the enemy approaching Shiloh.
 - d. He stood bravely and beat signals on his drum.

3. Why did Johnny leave the line of marching men?
 - a. He went to the woods to find food.
 - b. His hat blew off, and he wanted to find it.
 - c. He was ordered to beat a signal on his drum.
 - d. He was sick and needed to rest under the trees.

4. What did Johnny do when he saw the Rebel boy?
 - a. He yelled for help, and the boy was captured.
 - b. He gave the boy a drink of water.
 - c. He looked at the boy without saying a word.
 - d. He shook hands with the boy and asked his name.

5. After seeing the Yankee boy, Charlie was frightened by:
 - a. a hog running through the woods.
 - b. another Yankee looking for berries.
 - c. the sounds of gunfire close by.
 - d. someone yelling at him.

6. Why was Charlie's pouch so heavy?
 - a. It was filled with food.
 - b. It was filled with his friends' keepsakes.
 - c. He was carrying bullets for the soldiers.
 - d. Charlie carried everything he owned in it.

7. Why was Charlie sent north?
 - a. He had orders for General Forrest.
 - b. He had to report to Big Ben.
 - c. He had to care for the wounded.
 - d. He needed to deliver ammunition.

8. What happened to Charlie on his way north?
 - a. He fell in a stream and was almost drowned.
 - b. He ran into a Yankee camp.
 - c. He met General Longstreet.
 - d. He was captured and held at gunpoint.

9. Charlie could not sleep the night after the battle because:
 - a. he had to cut trees all night.
 - b. he was lost in the woods and couldn't find Big Ben.
 - c. the sounds on the battlefield kept him awake.
 - d. he was ordered to stand guard all night

10. As Johnny and the 22nd Michigan came on the battlefield, the Union army was:
 - a. pushing the Confederate army back.
 - b. surrendering to the Confederates.
 - c. holding a position on a ridge against the Rebels.
 - d. capturing Longstreet's left flank.

11. At dusk Lieutenant William, Johnny, and men of the 22nd Michigan were:
 - a. captured by the Confederates.
 - b. ordered to advance down the ridge.
 - c. ordered to retreat back to Chattanooga.
 - d. told to surrender.

12. When Big Ben left to unload his wagon of wounded men, he told Charlie to:
 - a. go to the trees and rest.
 - b. gather wood and build a fire.
 - c. give a message to General Longstreet.
 - d. take a lantern and give water to hurt men.

13. In order not to be captured, Lieutenant William and Johnny:
 - a. laid on the ground and played dead.
 - b. found guns and fired at the enemy.
 - c. ran down the ridge in the dark.
 - d. climbed a tree and hid all night.

14. When Charlie saw Johnny for the second time, Charlie:
 - a. called the Virginians to capture him.
 - b. looked at the boy without saying a word.
 - c. gave Lieutenant William and Johnny a drink of water.
 - d. showed them the way back to their troops.