Comprehension

Answer Numbers 1 through 10. Base your answers on the story “Pop’s Bridge.”

1. How are Charlie and Robert ALIKE?
   - They both watch the bridge go up.
   - They both hide a piece of the puzzle.
   - They both call the bridge “Pop’s bridge.”
   - They both think painting is not an important job.

2. When does Robert know that his father loves the bridge?
   - when his father calls the bridge a giant harp
   - when his father holds onto the bridge for safety
   - when everyone is excited about the bridge on opening day
   - when his father gives him the red kerchief to wear around his neck

3. How do Robert’s feelings change when there is fog?
   - He forgets that bridge building can be dangerous.
   - He gets nervous because he cannot see his father easily.
   - He grows sad because the sun does not sparkle on the water.
   - He becomes bored because he cannot see the bridge going up.

4. How is Robert’s father DIFFERENT from Charlie’s father?
   - Robert’s father almost falls in the bay.
   - Robert’s father works high above the water.
   - Robert’s father says the bridge looks like a harp.
   - Robert’s father celebrates after the bridge is built.
5. What does Robert hide in his room?
   A. the binoculars
   B. a puzzle piece
   C. the red kerchief
   D. a picture of the bridge

6. How do the men act after the scaffolding accident?
   E. angry
   F. curious
   G. playful
   H. serious

7. When does Robert understand that skywalkers and painters are equal?
   A. at the end of the story during the party
   B. while watching the men fall into the water
   C. while in bed thinking about the accident
   D. at the beginning of the story while looking at the bridge

8. What happens on the day of the bridge opening?
   F. Cars drive on the bridge.
   G. Robert's family has a party.
   H. People swim under the bridge.
   I. Charlie's father gives him a gift.

9. Why does Robert cut the last puzzle piece in half?
   A. to let his mom put in the last piece
   B. to keep a hole in the picture of the bridge
   C. to show both fathers that they are important
   D. to share completing the puzzle with his friend

10. How does Robert change by the end of the story?
    F. He understands that his father’s job is not difficult.
    G. He understands that his friendship with Charlie is over.
    H. He understands that building the bridge is a team effort.
    I. He understands that Charlie’s father wants to finish the puzzle.