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1. What is the Battle of the Bots?

- A) a summer camp
- B) a robot competition
- C) the place where Alex and his teammates complete Athena
- D) a school that has built a robot called "The Avenger"

2. What is the climax of this story?

- A) Alex and his teammates finish building Athena.
- B) Alyssa asks whether some things about Athena could be improved.
- C) Kumar explains his plan to win the Battle of the Bots by using Athena's speed.
- D) Athena battles against The Avenger in the Final Death Match.

3. Read this paragraph from the story.

"The match began, and the two robots moved towards each other. The Avenger lunged for Athena, but the small robot was too quick for him. Athena circled behind The Avenger and, before the larger robot had time to turn, Athena hit The Avenger from behind. There was the harsh sound of metal cutting metal and then silence. The Avenger lay on the ground. Athena had cut the wires connecting the body of the robot to its wheels. Not only had they won, but they had won in record time."

What can be concluded from these sentences?

- A) Athena's speed helps her beat The Avenger.
- B) Athena's strength helps her beat The Avenger.
- C) The Avenger's speed helps him beat Athena.
- D) The Avenger's strength helps him beat Athena.

4. How do the members of Alex's team interact with each other?

- A) They ignore each other and work separately.
- B) They disagree with each other and get into fights.
- C) They listen to each other and work together.
- D) They keep secrets and lie to each other.

5. What is a theme of this story?

- A) Winning is more important than teamwork.
- B) Speed can be more important than strength.
- C) Strength can be more important than speed.
- D) Speed and strength are equally important.

6. Read this paragraph from the story

“Finalists, could you please come to the main arena and prepare your robots?” said the announcer. “We will begin the Final Death Match in five minutes.” Alex and the team walked down to the main arena. Alex could feel his heart pounding in his chest. Athena was half the size of The Avenger— could their robot really win?

What feeling might the author be trying to create in the reader with the last three sentences of this paragraph?

- A) anger
- B) confidence
- C) suspense
- D) fear

7. Choose the answer that best completes the sentence.

The Avenger is bigger than Athena; _____, he is not as fast.

- A) however
- B) later on
- C) including
- D) for example

8. Kumar has been watching videos from last year’s competition. What does he notice?

9. Describe the Cougars’ strategy.
