

CONCEPTS OF COMPREHENSION: MAIN IDEA 5 <sup>th</sup> GRADE UNIT
Question Sheet

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“Mammoth Fossil Found” Questions

- \_\_\_ 1. The main idea of the passage is
- a. the Columbian mammoth ate grass.
  - b. there may be more bones hidden under the mud in California.
  - c. Roger Castillo has a kind of dog called Labrador retriever.
  - d. bones of a large, prehistoric animal were found in California.
- \_\_\_ 2. “Mammoth” as used in the title to describe the fossil means both:
- a. elephant-like and saber-toothed.
  - b. big and fierce.
  - c. huge and belonging to an animal called a mammoth.
  - d. woolly and Columbian.
- \_\_\_ 3. When Castillo says “it hit me,” he means
- a. the bone bounced up at him.
  - b. the Labrador jumped and knocked him over.
  - c. his understanding came suddenly and powerfully.
  - d. his mistaken idea caused punishment.
- \_\_\_ 4. The detail that does *not* contribute to the main idea of this passage is:
- a. fossils from camels have been found in California.
  - b. the mammoth lived 10,000 to 40,000 years ago.
  - c. Castillo thought he found a bone of a large dinosaur’s rib cage.
  - d. Columbian mammoths were cousins of the woolly mammoths.
- \_\_\_ 5. What details support the main idea of the passage?

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