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Colors

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Red is

big smiles,
stop lights,
cherries,
my bike.

Black is

my skin,
my cat,
my father's
hat.

Blue is

oceans,
spring skies,
blueberry
pies.

Green is

things
that grow,
the light
for "Go!"

Colors fit

For a queen,

Red and black,

Blue and green.

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1. This piece of writing is about

- A. the colors of things.
 - B. things a boy owns.
 - C. what colors a queen wears.
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2. In this piece of writing, how many things are black?

- A. one
 - B. two
 - C. three
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3. What things in "Colors" are red?

- A. cherries, smiles, stop lights, and a bike
 - B. a queen, smiles, a pie, and oceans
 - C. smiles, skies, cherries, and a cat
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4. The colors in this piece of writing are

- A. black, red, yellow, and green.
 - B. blueberry, red, black, and green.
 - C. red, green, blue, and black.
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5. The word banana is not used because a banana is

- A. a fruit.
 - B. something that grows.
 - C. yellow.
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Mother Kangaroo

A mother kangaroo carries her babies in her pouch. A baby kangaroo is called a joey. A joey is very tiny when it is born—only about the size of a jelly bean. The tiny joey remains in its mother's pouch where it drinks milk and grows stronger for six months. When the joey leaves the pouch, it has to be able to keep up with mom and the mob. Kangaroos live in groups called mobs. Kangaroos can hop as fast as forty miles per hour so it is not always easy to keep up with the mob! Tired and hungry joeys often hop headfirst back into mom's pouch for a snack, a nap, or a ride.

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6. Which of the following happens LAST?

- A. The mother kangaroo carries the joey in her pouch.
 - B. The joey learns to keep up with the mob.
 - C. The joey stays in the pouch for the first six months.
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7. A new baby kangaroo

- A. has to keep up with the mob.
 - B. is only as big as a jelly bean.
 - C. can hop forty miles per hour.
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8. A joey doesn't usually leave the pouch until

- A. it is six months old.
 - B. it can run faster than its mother.
 - C. a new joey is born.
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9. When the tired joey returns to mom's pouch, he probably feels

- A. ready to play.
 - B. too old to return to his mother.
 - C. glad to take a rest.
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10. Which of these is NOT true?

- A. Joeys are very large when they are born.
- B. Baby kangaroos are called joeys.
- C. Kangaroos can hop forty miles per hour.

Answer Key

1. A) the colors of things.
2. C) three
3. A) cherries, smiles, stop lights, and a bike
4. C) red, green, blue, and black.
5. C) yellow.
6. B) The joey learns to keep up with the mob.
7. B) is only as big as a jelly bean.
8. A) it is six months old.
9. C) glad to take a rest.
10. A) Joeys are very large when they are born.