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**Father’s Day Rescue Assignment**

**Comprehension and Inference: (5 pts each—total of 25 possible)**

1. What is the topic (subject) of this article?
2. Firefighters
3. A firefighter saves a child
4. Keeping track of a partner in a fire is difficult
5. Children in danger
6. What is the main idea of the article (the most general statement that tells about the most important point in the article)?
7. Firefighting is dangerous work
8. Don Hawley, a firefighter, risked his life to save a child trapped in a burning building.
9. Don Hawley comes from a close family and goes to church.
10. A firefighter spent his Father’s Day fighting a fire.
11. When the men in Truck 253 arrived at the fire
12. There were other firefighters already there
13. They were the first to arrive.
14. It began to rain and there was thunder and lightening
15. EMTs were treating the wounded
16. With which of the following statements would the author probably agree?
17. The child was still in the house because he had been playing with matches and was hiding.
18. People are careless with matches and this is how most fires are set.
19. Both firefighters showed courage.
20. Firefighting is not work that you can do for more than a few years without hurting yourself.
21. Which of the following is a conclusion that you can infer (figure out) based on the information in the article?
22. Firefighters deserve higher pay.
23. Old houses are fire hazards.
24. The fire was started by the child.
25. It is best to stay low and near the floor in a burning fire.

**Vocabulary:** Chose the best definition for the underlined word, in the context of how it is used in the article. **(4 pts each—total of 20 possible)**

1. I couldn’t discern what it was, so I reached for it. (par. 25)
2. agree
3. follow
4. determine
5. allow
6. Someone—a neighbor, I figured—stood in the doorway of the house holding a garden hose, a pathetic jet of water spurting in vain (par. 17)
7. without any hope of success
8. a blood vessel
9. beautiful
10. a river
11. I was out the front door before I could make out a glimpse of daylight (par.32)
12. a period of time
13. radiant and shiny
14. warm to the touch
15. a quick look
16. Tommy and I threw on our fire-retardant clothes and boots. (par 10)
17. Preventative c. shiny and hard
18. bulky and heavy d. uniform
19. The place was an inferno. (par. 21)
20. covered in water
21. flame filled area
22. full of fear
23. party for evil doers

**Summary:** Complete the following summary by filling in the blanks with *who, what, when, where, why, and how* answers. **(2 pts each—18 possible)**

A firefighter named (11.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ risked his life to (12.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ a (13.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who was trapped in a (14.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. He and his partner, who was named (15.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, found the two year old boy in the house (where?) under

(16.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They took the boy outside to the (17.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ who gave the boy (18.)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to revive him. This all happened on (day?) (19.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Written Responses: Use complete sentences and give complete answers.**

20. Once the men were in the burning house, teamwork was important to save the little boy.

Give at least two examples of how the men relied on teamwork to help them with their task. **(12 pts.)**

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21. What made Don Hawley decide to stay in the burning house longer than he should have? **(10 pts)**

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22. Name three special characteristics, skills, or training that firefighters need to do their work: **(10 pts)**

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23. What is the reason that the author wrote this story? Was it to inform, persuade, or entertain you, the reader? **(5pts.)** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_