- **9.** Who is narrating this selection?
 - A Amanda
 - B Ryan
 - C Amanda's mother
 - D an unnamed narrator
- **10.** Why does the author include a flashback near the beginning of the story?
 - A to show how dangerous the cave is
 - B to emphasize that Amanda's mind wanders
 - C to show the relationship between Amanda and Jeremy
 - D to create a contrast between Jeremy and Ryan
- **11.** Which sentence *best* describes the main theme of this story?
 - A Decisions and actions can have unexpected results.
 - B In the end, parents are usually right.
 - C Paying attention to the "in" group always causes problems.
 - D It is wrong to trespass on private property.

- **12.** Why does Amanda say "bats don't hurt anyone" over and over?
 - A She wants to say exactly what the other kids say.
 - B She wants to convince the other kids that this is true.
 - C She wants to overcome her fear of bats in the cave.
 - D She wants to keep others from hurting the bats in the cave.
- **13.** Which sentence *best* describes Ryan at the end of the selection?
 - A He is making fun of Amanda.
 - B He thinks that Amanda is a baby.
 - C He is proud that Amanda didn't go to the cave.
 - D He is still friendly toward Amanda.

- **14.** What would be an accurate statement about Amanda's mother?
 - A She does not change her mind about what Amanda can and cannot do.
 - B She always says no to her daughter's weekend plans.
 - C She feels great sympathy for the mother of Jeremy McKinnon.
 - D She does not want Amanda to hang out with certain kids.
- 15. What does the dialogue show about Amanda?
 - A She never quite tells the truth.
 - B She respects her mother's decisions.
 - C She really wants to go to the cave.
 - D She has no concerns about going to the cave.

- **16.** Which statement *best* shows how the cave is related to the problem and resolution of this story?
 - A A kid can hang out with the popular kids only by going to the cave on Friday nights.
 - B The cave is a meeting place for the popular kids, but it is not the only meeting place.
 - C Amanda has to overcome her fear of bats in the cave to join up with the popular kids.
 - D There is no solution to the problem of the "No Trespassing" sign at the cave.
- **17.** What is the resolution, or ending, of this story?
 - A Amanda will never be one of the popular kids.
 - B Amanda will never go to Bellows Cave.
 - C Amanda might get her wish without going to the cave.
 - D Amanda will always avoid Ryan and his friends.