

Tacky the Penguin
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Directions:Use what you know about **Tacky the Penguin** to answer each of the following questions.**1. Who are Tacky's companions in the story?**

- ☐ A Five penguins named Goodly, Lovely, Angel, Neatly, and Perfect
- ☐ B A group of loud hunters
- ☐ C A seal, a whale, and a polar bear
- ☐ D His family from another iceberg

2. What important lesson can the reader learn from Tacky the Penguin?

- ☐ A Everyone should act exactly the same.
- ☐ B Being loud always makes problems worse.
- ☐ C Being yourself can help others and make you special.
- ☐ D Penguins need to walk in perfect lines.

3. How do Tacky's companions react when the hunters arrive?

- ☐ A They hide behind a block of ice.
- ☐ B They scream and run away.
- ☐ C They panic because they don't know how to stop the hunters.
- ☐ D They start dancing to confuse the hunters.

4. Which words from the story describe how Tacky jumps in the water?

- ☐ A wild leap
- ☐ B splashy cannonballs
- ☐ C graceful divers
- ☐ D peaceful jump

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5. How does the ending of the story conclude the action? (RL.2.5)

- ☐ A The penguins argue about who scared the hunters away.
- ☒ B Tacky's friends celebrate because he saved them.
- ☐ C The hunters return for a second try.
- ☐ D Tacky becomes the leader of the penguins.

6. If you were reading Tacky's cheer aloud, how should your voice sound? (RL.2.6)

- ☐ A Soft and whispery
- ☐ B Slow and sleepy
- ☐ C Smooth and graceful
- ☒ D Silly and loud

7. What do the illustrations show about Tacky's personality? (RL.2.7)

- ☐ A He tries hard to look perfect all the time.
- ☐ B He prefers to stay far away from the group.
- ☒ C He is silly and doesn't act like the other penguins.
- ☐ D He is frightened of everything around him.

8. Why is this book called Tacky the Penguin? (RL.2.10)

- ☒ A Because the other penguins think he is strange and different
- ☐ B Because he loves wearing fancy clothes
- ☐ C Because he always keeps things neat and tidy
- ☐ D Because he lives on a tacky-looking iceberg

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Answer Key