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## Three Boats

There are many kinds of boats.

One kind of boat is called a sailboat. A sailboat uses the wind to move. The wind pushes the sailboat by filling its sails. The sailboat moves when the wind blows.

Another kind of boat is called a motorboat. The motorboat moves when the motor is running. The motor runs on fuel and makes a loud noise.

A third kind of boat is called a rowboat. People use oars to move a rowboat. Oars are long poles with a flat end. The oars go into the water, and they push the boat forward when people move them.



**1)** Which boat uses the wind to move?

- A. a sailboat
- B. a rowboat
- C. a motorboat

**2)** Which boat makes a loud noise?

- A. a sailboat
- B. a motorboat
- C. a rowboat

**3)** What is used to move a rowboat?

- A. wind
- B. a motor
- C. oars

4) According to the passage, oars are

- A. short and fat at the end
- B. long and flat at the end
- C. big and heavy at the end

5) This passage is mainly about

- A. different kinds of boats
- B. where to use a rowboat
- C. how to build a boat

6) Which of the following boat(s) can still move if there is no wind?

- I. a sailboat
- II. a motorboat
- III. a rowboat

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. II and III

7) Imagine your friend Tom does not like loud noises. Which of the following boat(s) would you tell him to ride in?

- I. a sailboat
- II. a rowboat
- III. a motorboat

- A. I only
- B. I and II
- C. II and III

**8)** Choose one of the boats from the passage. Write about a trip you could take in the boat.

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## Answers and Explanations

1) A

Core Standard: **Key Ideas and Details**

In paragraph 2, the passage says, "A sailboat uses the wind to move." Choice **(A)** is correct.

2) B

Core Standard: **Key Ideas and Details**

At the end of paragraph 3, the passage says that a motorboat's motor "makes a loud noise." Choice **(B)** is correct.

3) C

Core Standard: **Key Ideas and Details**

In paragraph 4 the passage says, "People use oars to move a rowboat." Choice **(C)** is correct.

4) B

Core Standard: **Key Ideas and Details**

In paragraph 4, the passage says, "Oars are long poles with a flat end." Choice **(B)** is correct.

5) A

Core Standard: **Integration of Knowledge**

The passage talks about three different kinds of boats. Paragraph 1 introduces the idea that there are different kinds of boats. In paragraph 2, the passage talks about the sailboat. In paragraph 3, the passage talks about the motorboat. In paragraph 4, the passage talks about the rowboat. Using this information, we can understand that the passage is mainly about different kinds of boats. Choice **(A)** is correct.

6) C

Core Standard: **Key Ideas and Details**

In paragraph 2 the passage says, "A sailboat uses the wind to move." A sailboat cannot move if there is no wind. This eliminates **option (I)**.

In paragraph 3 the passage says, "The motorboat moves when the motor is running." A motorboat can still move if there is no wind. This supports **option (II)**.

In paragraph 4 the passage says, "People use oars to move a rowboat." A rowboat can still move if there is no wind. This supports **option (III)**.

Choice **(C)** is correct.

7) B

Core Standard: **Integration of Knowledge**

In paragraph 2, we learn that wind moves a sailboat. So, a sailboat is probably very quiet. Tom would probably like to ride in a sailboat. This supports **option (I)**.

In paragraph 4, we learn that people move a rowboat using oars. So, a rowboat is probably very quiet. Tom would probably like to ride in a rowboat. This supports **option (II)**.

In paragraph 3 the passage says, "The motorboat makes a loud noise." So, Tom would not like to ride in a motorboat because it makes a loud noise. This eliminates **option (III)**.

Therefore **(B)** is correct.