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Babushka's Doll by Patricia Polacco

1. What does "Babushka" mean in Russian?
  - a. father
  - b. mother
  - c. grandmother
  - d. grandfather
  
2. The word impatient means to be in a hurry and unable to wait. Who in the story was impatient?
  - a. Babushka
  - b. Natasha
  - c. Tasha
  - d. grandmother
  
3. What does the word selfish mean?
  - a. someone who protects themselves from others
  - b. someone who helps other people
  - c. someone who thinks people are looking at them
  - d. someone who thinks of themselves before others
  
4. Why does Natasha's grandmother give her the doll?
  - a. She gives it to her so she will not be lonely.
  - b. She gives it to her to teach her a lesson.
  - c. She gives it to her to scare her.
  - d. She gives it to her to make her sad.
  
5. What happens when Natasha plays with the doll?
  - a. The doll comes to life.
  - b. She breaks the doll.
  - c. She tells the doll a story.
  - d. Natasha has fun with the doll.
  
6. What lesson does Natasha learn in the story?
  - a. She learns to be nice to her grandmother's doll.
  - b. She learns to not be selfish and naughty.
  - c. She learns to make tea and wash clothes.
  - d. She learns how to swing and take her doll for a ride.
  
7. What happens after Babushka's doll spills the tea?
  - a. Natasha and the doll run.
  - b. Natasha swings the doll.
  - c. Natasha washes Tasha's dress.
  - d. Tasha sloshes the soup from her spoon.

8. What is the problem in the story?
- Babushka is very busy.
  - Natasha is selfish and naughty.
  - Tasha is selfish and naughty.
  - Babushka gives Natasha a doll.
9. Which one of the following sentences is the best summary of the story?
- A little girl gets a doll that turns out to be twice as naughty as her owner.
  - A little girl is selfish and naughty and bothers her grandmother.
  - A little girl plays with a doll that comes to life.
  - A little girl gets tired of playing with her naughty doll.
10. A good text connection to the story could be...
- You remember a time when you played with a toy that came to life.
  - You think of the movie Toy Story and how all of the toys came to life.
  - You remember a time when you were naughty and selfish.
  - You think about your grandmother and your toys.
11. One thing that could happen after the story is...
- Tasha will come back to life and haunt Natasha and Babushka.
  - Natasha will still be naughty and selfish.
  - Natasha will help her grandmother and stop complaining.
  - Babushka will give Natasha a doll that is nice to her.
12. Which words best describe Natasha?
- naughty and selfish
  - sunny and cheerful
  - sweet and kind
  - rude and mean
13. What kind of writing is this story?
- nonfiction
  - fiction
  - poetry
  - play
14. What is the author's purpose in this story?
- to teach the reader facts about a topic
  - to talk the reader into doing something
  - to entertain the reader with a story
  - to tell the reader how they feel

Answer Key for Babushka's Doll Quiz

1. c
2. b
3. d
4. b
5. a
6. b
7. d
8. b
9. a
10. c
11. c
12. a
13. b
14. c