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In Need of Repair

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Use this week’s issue of TIME for Kids (Edition 3–4) to answer the questions. For each question, circle the letter next to the best answer.

Read for Detail

1. “Now many symbols of U.S. strength are crumbling.”
What inference does this sentence best support?

- A. U.S. roads do not need to be rebuilt.
- B. The Tappan Zee Bridge is high-tech.
- C. The Golden Gate Bridge is crumbling.
- D. The nation’s infrastructure is collapsing.

Define Key Vocabulary

2. What is the meaning of the word *crumbling*, in paragraph 2?

- A. falling apart
- B. showing power
- C. being ignored
- D. receiving repairs

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3. The first paragraph is mostly about

- A. how creative Americans are.
- B. famous monuments in the United States.
- C. Grand Central Terminal.
- D. America’s successful past infrastructure projects.

Main Idea and Details

4. Which could be another title for the section “Rebuilding America”?

- A. “Advocates of Infrastructure”
- B. “Upgrading the Grid”
- C. “Innovating Our Infrastructure”
- D. “Rebuilding Bridges”

Explain Concepts

5. President Donald Trump believes that

- A. the nation must invest in rebuilding and renewing its infrastructure.
- B. people should visit water-treatment facilities.
- C. the federal government should not work with industry to rebuild the nation’s infrastructure.
- D. the nation should not upgrade its infrastructure.

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6. How much could it cost to fix California’s highways?

- A. \$800 billion
- B. \$57 billion
- C. \$1 trillion
- D. \$200 billion

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Identify Author’s Purpose

- 7.** Which of the following sentences from the article reveals the author’s point of view?
- A. “We will create the first-class infrastructure our country and our people deserve.” (paragraph 4)
 - B. “Together we will fix it.” (paragraph 4)
 - C. “Republicans currently control Congress.” (paragraph 8)
 - D. “They are bold bets on tomorrow.” (paragraph 10)

Analyze Reasons and Evidence

- 8.** How does the author support the claim that much of the nation’s infrastructure is crumbling?
- A. by explaining that the American Society of Civil Engineers gave the nation a D+ for its infrastructure
 - B. by including statistics about how many Americans support the president’s infrastructure plan
 - C. by explaining that most officials have provided the president with a wish list of worthy projects
 - D. by describing updates to the electrical grid

Analyze Language

- 9.** What is the meaning of the phrase *catch the president’s eye*, in paragraph 7?
- A. to improve the president’s vision
 - B. to get the president’s attention
 - C. to cut spending for infrastructure improvements
 - D. to team up and get the job done

Read for Detail

- 10.** According to the author, which of the following is *not* needed to rebuild and upgrade the nation’s infrastructure?
- A. imagination
 - B. working with other countries
 - C. cooperation of Congress
 - D. funding

Bonus Do you think rebuilding the nation’s infrastructure should be a priority? Why or why not? Write your answer below, or on a separate sheet of paper.
