Name _____

Read the selection. Then answer the questions that follow.

Rabbit Fools Coyote

Coyote was hiding behind a bush waiting for Rabbit to leave his hole. But Rabbit was no fool. He knew just where Coyote was hiding and what he would be planning to do.

One day when Rabbit left his hole, he carried a big bag and pretended that he had to run slowly because the bag was so heavy. Soon Coyote overtook him.

"Before you eat me, please let me empty my bag," Rabbit said. "My children are all sleeping inside."

Coyote laughed and grabbed the bag while Rabbit raced away. Coyote sat down, looking forward to the delicious meal in the bag. He stuck his head and front paws inside and yelled out, "YEOW!" The bag was full of thorny cactuses.

Answer the questions below.

1 **Why do you think the author wrote this story?**

A to convince the reader of an opinion

B to entertain the reader with a surprise ending

C to explain how to act in an emergency

D to express a feeling and create a mood

2 **What did the author probably want you to think about Coyote?**

F He was very clever.

G He got what he deserved.

H He should not have chased Rabbit.

J He was too proud of himself.

3 **What did Rabbit do *before* he left his hole?**

A He put his children into a big bag.

B He ran from Coyote as fast as he could.

C He thought of a plan to trick Coyote.

D He asked Coyote if he could empty his bag.

4 **Do you think the author was trying to make you laugh? Explain by giving an example from the story.**

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Common Core State Standards

Questions 1–4: Literature 1. Refer to details and examples in a text when explaining what the text says explicitly and when drawing inferences from the text.