Gary the Dreamer—Selection Vocabulary

Read each item below carefully and choose the correct answer.

1. What does the word scared mean?
   A. afraid
   B. bad
   C. grumpy
   D. wicked

2. What does the word classmates mean?
   A. people in a different class
   B. people in the same class
   C. people teaching a class
   D. people planning a class

3. What does the word pronounce mean?
   A. to make known publicly
   B. to sing a line from a song
   C. to swoop suddenly onto something
   D. to say the sounds of a word correctly

4. What does the word practicing mean?
   A. doing something again and again
   B. sending a message to somebody
   C. acting with too much emphasis
   D. striking something with force

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5. Which one of these words means "to fall suddenly and helplessly"?
   A. admire
   B. contribute
   C. pronounce
   D. tumble

6. What does the word *admire* mean?
   F. in charge of
   G. thinks well of
   H. is capable of
   I. determines share of

7. Where would you NOT find a *community*?
   A. school classroom
   B. office building
   C. big city
   D. deserted island

8. Which word means almost the SAME as the word *contributes*?
   E. gives
   G. gazes
   H. makes
   I. moves
Gary the Dreamer—Comprehension

Read the following questions carefully. You may look back at the selection to help find the answer to each question.

1. Where does Gary live when he was a child?
   - an old cabin in the mountains
   - a big farmhouse in the country
   - a tall apartment building in a big city
   - a small white house in a neighborhood

2. What does Gary learn in kindergarten?
   - to talk quietly
   - to tie his shoes
   - to write the alphabet
   - to count using my fingers

3. Why does Gary’s class collect pennies?
   - to take a class trip
   - to send money to Africa
   - to buy new library books
   - to build a new playground
4 Why does Gary think that Boots likes to read too?
   F Boots runs to Gary's room.
   G Boots lays on Gary's books.
   H Boots jumps out of the tree.
   A Boots purrs when Gary reads.

5 Read the following line from the story.

   **I was sometimes in another world.**

What does this line mean?

   A Gary travels often.
   G Gary has a big imagination.
   C Gary does not like going to school.
   D Gary is smaller than his classmates.