

Read the selection. Then choose the best answer to each question.

How to Set Up a Popcorn Stand

- 1 Do you want to make money for a worthy cause in your community? A popcorn stand is the perfect way to go!
- 2 Things You Will Need:
 - poster board
 - markers
 - several bags of microwave popcorn
 - microwave oven
 - large bowl
 - individual bags or boxes
 - folding table
 - tape

What to Do

- 3 Decide when and where you'll have your popcorn stand. (Get permission from the sponsoring organization or place to sell.) Ask your friends and family—including at least one adult—to help out. Use the poster board and markers to make signs advertising your popcorn stand.
- 4 On the day of the event, make the popcorn. Here's how:
 - 5 1. Remove the plastic wrap from the popcorn bag, but don't open it. Unfold the packet and put it in the microwave.
 - 6 2. Set the microwave for four minutes (or whatever the directions on the bag say) and push START.
 - 7 3. Don't go away! Instead, listen to the popcorn pop. Remember that popping times are estimates. If several seconds of silence pass between pops, stop the microwave, or else the popcorn might burn.
 - 8 4. Grab the popcorn bag from the microwave, but be careful—it will be HOT! Open the bag away from your face and pour the popcorn into a large bowl. Keep popping popcorn until you have all you need.
 - 9 5. Make individual bags or boxes of popcorn.
 - 10 6. Once your popcorn is ready to be sold, deliver it to your stand (folding table), hang the signs with the tape, and you're in business. Have fun, and good luck!

Name _____ Date _____

1 What is the meaning of the word cause in the first sentence?

2 The writer suggests a popcorn stand as way to —

3 Why is a microwave in the list of things you need for a popcorn stand?

4 Why does the writer use all uppercase letters in the word HOT?

5 The main purpose of this selection is to explain how to —

- A make popcorn
 - B eat popcorn
 - C raise money for charity
 - D set up and run a popcorn stand
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6 Which should you do first?

- A Unfold the popcorn packet.
 - B Remove the plastic wrap from the popcorn bag.
 - C Grab the popcorn bag from the microwave.
 - D Sell the popcorn.
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7 If several seconds pass between pops, it means —

- A the microwave is broken
 - B the popcorn is burnt
 - C the popcorn is ready
 - D the bag opened
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8 What should you do right before you set the time on the microwave?

- A Unfold the packet and put it in the microwave.
- B Make individual bags or boxes of popcorn.
- C Push START on the microwave.
- D Hang signs.

