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What's Your News IQ?

Directions: Read the Scholastic News Online story about Sonia Sotomayor (“New Supreme Court Justice Approved”). Then answer the questions below. For questions 1 through 7, fill in the circle next to the best answer. For question 8, write a brief response on the lines.

- 1. According to the story, Sonia Sotomayor will be the U.S. Supreme Court's**
 - Chief Justice.
 - oldest Justice.
 - first female Justice.
 - first Hispanic Justice.
- 2. Sonia Sotomayor will replace**
 - Barack Obama.
 - David Souter.
 - Ruth Bader Ginsburg.
 - Sandra Day O'Connor.
- 3. Which group voted to appoint Sotomayor to the Supreme Court?**
 - New York voters
 - American voters
 - U.S. Senators
 - U.S. Representatives
- 4. The Supreme Court is part of the U.S. government's**
 - legislative branch.
 - executive branch.
 - judicial branch.
 - nominating branch.
- 5. Sonia Sotomayor's parents moved to New York City from**
 - Spain.
 - Italy.
 - Washington, D.C.
 - Puerto Rico.
- 6. Which of these tasks can the Supreme Court do?**
 - Appoint new Justices.
 - Write and pass new laws.
 - Overtake laws.
 - All of the above.
- 7. The story says that, “The new Justice will take a sacred oath to uphold the Constitution of the United States.” You can infer that the word uphold means to**
 - locate.
 - write.
 - ignore.
 - support.
- 8. If you were one of the Senators questioning Sonia Sotomayor, what would you have asked her?**

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