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Homeless Assistance Act of 1987, includes a section that addresses the educational needs of homeless children. The educational provisions of the McKinney Act are based on the belief that all homeless children have the right to a free, appropriate education. 11. In 1987, the American homeless population was made up of _____. (A) older males (B) school children (C) adults (D) both A and B 12. The author implies in the first paragraph that _____. (A) the homeless population is growing rapidly (B) there is serious shortage of school administrators and teachers (C) homeless children often move from place to place (D) homeless children usually stay outside schools 13. The National Coalition for the Homeless estimates that there are _____ homeless children. (A) 7000,000 (B) 350,000 (C) 440,000 (D) 70,000 14. One part of the homeless population is difficult to count. The reason might be that _____. (A) homeless children live on the streets (B) homeless children have no parents (C) the homeless are too young to be counted as children (D) the homeless children are not taken as members of their families 15. The aim of the McKinney Act is to _____. (A) offer education for homeless children (B) provide family shelters for homeless children (C) reduce the number of homeless children (D) estimate the number of homeless population

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