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The Real and the Fake

Short Answer Key

1. Holden lies to Ernest's mother to make her feel happy, even though he doesn't like Ernest.
2. It makes him feel lonely and frustrated because he thinks most people are fake.
3. She asks him if he likes anything at all, making him realize he focuses too much on phoniness.
4. He admires her because she is always honest and doesn't pretend to be someone she's not.
5. He learns that everyone, including himself, sometimes acts fake and that figuring out who you are is not easy.

