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Read the text and choose the correct word for each space. For each question circle A, B, C or D.

DRIVING FROM BEIJING TO PARIS



"Every journey begins with a single step." We might **(1)** _____ this proverb for the 16,000 km Beijing to Paris car rally, and say that every rally begins with a **(2)** _____ of the wheel. From China, several hundred courageous men and women will **(3)** _____ out for Paris in pursuit of what, for many, is likely to prove an impossible **(4)** _____. Everybody is prepared for the worst and expects a high drop-out **(5)** _____, especially on the rally's difficult first **(6)** _____ across central China and over the high mountain **(7)** _____ of the Himalayas. "If twenty-five cars **(8)** _____ it to Paris, we'll be doing well," says Philip Young, the rally organiser.

Now planned as an annual event, the first Beijing-Paris car rally took place in 1907. It was won by Prince Borghese, an Italian adventurer, who crossed the **(9)** _____ line just a few metres **(10)** _____ of the only other car to complete the race. Nowadays, not many people know about Prince Borghese, but at the time his achievement was **(11)** _____ as comparable to that of Marco Polo, who travelled from Venice to China in the thirteenth century.

According to the **(12)** _____, all the cars in the rally must be more than thirty years old, which means that the **(13)** _____ roads and high attitude are a **(14)** _____ test of both the cars and the drivers. A sense of adventure is essential. One driver said, "Our **(15)** _____ is to have a good time, enjoy the experience and the magnificent scenery – and the adventure of a lifetime."

1.	A) adapt	B) moderate	C) improve	D) form
2.	A) revolution	B) circle	C) rotation	D) turn
3.	A) head	B) move	C) set	D) try
4.	A) vision	B) fantasy	C) hope	D) dream
5.	A) rate	B) number	C) speed	D) frequency
6.	A) period	B) stage	C) time	D) round
7.	A) crossings	B) passes	C) directions	D) passages
8.	A) get	B) take	C) have	D) make
9.	A) closing	B) final	C) ending	D) finishing
10.	A) forward	B) ahead	C) front	D) advance
11.	A) thought	B) referred	C) regarded	D) noted
12.	A) orders	B) rules	C) laws	D) customs
13.	A) crude	B) undeveloped	C) broken	D) rough
14.	A) firm	B) strict	C) severe	D) grave
15.	A) aim	B) target	C) proposal	D) intent

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