

Choose the correct answers to complete the passage.

Like other big cities in Asia, Ha Noi began to (1)_____ the tram system in the early 1900s. A few years later, due to its cheap fares and convenience, this system rapidly became one of the most popular (2)_____ of transport. There were five tram routes with Hoan Kiem Lake as a central station for residents to get (3)_____ the city and to the suburban areas. However, because of the population boom and the urgent demand for upgrading the more modern road system, the rail tracks were (4) _____ removed and completely disappeared in 1990.

These days, the fact that the population of the capital has risen tremendously results (5)_____ a dramatic increase in the number of vehicles on the roads. To meet the increasing travel demands and reduce traffic congestion, the first 13-kilometre skytrain system, connecting Cat Linh and Ha Dong is (6)_____ and it is expected to be completed by 2018. Each four-compartment skytrain with the length of approximately 80 metres and the height of about 3.8 metres has a (7)_____ of 1,362 passengers. Additionally, a new rail system including over eight kilometres of skytrain rail and four kilometres of subway rail, (8)_____ links Ha Noi Central Station to Nhon, also has been built recently. The capacity of each skytrain in this efficient high-speed rail system is roughly 1,200 passengers.

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| 1. a. discover | b. improve | c. operate | d. install |
| 2. a. ways | b. systems | c. spaces | d. means |
| 3. a. around | b. over | c. by | d. ahead |
| 4. a. occasionally | b. gradually | c. regularly | d. eventually |
| 5. a. on | b. at | c. in | d. with |
| 6. a. pressed | b. launched | c. produced | d. announced |
| 7. a. ability | b. position | c. consistency | d. capacity |
| 8. a. which | b. what | c. whose | d. where |