The Mini-Monet

Kieron Williamson is a very successful landscape painter. His paintings, which mostly depict the peaceful countryside around his home village in eastern England, sell very well. Perhaps this shouldn't **1. COME** as that much of a surprise. It's a beautiful part of the world, and landscape paintings are always popular.

The strange thing about Kieron, however, **2.** _____ that he is only seven years old. At a recent exhibition of his work, all the paintings were sold in half an hour, some for £100,000 each. Kieron now has fans all over the world and has gained the nickname 'the 'Mini-Monet'.

What's even **3.** _____ surprising is that Kieron doesn't come from an artistic family, and only started painting two years **4.** _____.

He first got inspiration **5.** _____ some boats he saw on holiday at the seaside. Kieron asked his parents if they **6.** _____ buy him a sketch pad and pencils **7.** _____ that he could draw them. Only when they saw **8.** _____ well he drew did they realise that he was talented.

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