IV. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

TOURISM

Tourism is a big business. Millions of people around Europe spend their winters planning their destinations for the following summer, and their summers (106) ____ to foreign climes for two weeks in the sun. They are the modern-day descendants of the aristocrats and the wealthy who would (107) ____ months to complete the "Grand Tour" of Europe. But unlike their forefathers, tourists these days get a bad press. They're not (108) ____ in the local culture, we're (109) ____; they're just after the chance to behave a bit more wildly than they do at home. What's more, they damage the local environment and don't respect the locals and their (110) ____ of life.

But are tourists really to (111) ____? Or is it the (112) ____ of the tourist industry, which has (113) ____ to provide reasonably-priced alternatives? And if the local resort only offers a succession of bars for the tourists to visit, can we really (114) ____ them for not doing more cultural activities?

One holiday company, Far and Away, (115) ____ that tourists are crying out for more cultural holidays and believes that it has (116) ____ to come up with a range of package holidays which are affordable, culturally interesting, and environmentally friendly. Their brochure, which is to be (117) ____ later this month, offers 200 holidays based on cultural themes, including history and architecture, learning the language, meeting the locals.

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106. A taking away B. moving away C. taking off D. jetting off

107. A. spend B. make C. take D. pass

108. A. devoted B. eager C. keen D. interested

109. A. told B. informed C. convinced D. said

110. A. way B. manner C. standard D. means

111. A. criticise B. fault C. blame D. accuse

112. A. criticism B. fault C. blame D. accusation

113. A. avoided B. lost C. missed D. failed

114. A. accuse B. charge C. criticise D. arrest

115. A. claims B. mentions C. informs D. persuades

116. A. succeeded B. managed C . achieved D. resulted

117. A. brought up B. brought out C. brought off D. brought around

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