Here are two US writers:

Jack Kerouac	Gary Snyder
(1922-1969)	(1930-)

Can you complete the sentences with either Kerouac or Snyder?

1. _____ was born in 1930.
2. _____ died in 1969.
3. _____ was a writer.
4. _____ wrote several novels as well as poetry.
5. _____ is a poet.
6. _____ has written many books of poetry.
7. _____ lived in US, Mexico and Tangier.
8. _____ has lived in USA and Japan.
9. _____ has done many different jobs – seaman, logger, carpenter among others.
10. _____ has been married for 28 years.
11. _____ never married.

Choose the appropriate form of the verb in these texts:

a. Jack Kerouac (1922-1969), the American writer, _____ (spend) much of his life travelling the USA. He also _____ (visit) Mexico and North Africa. He _____ (write) a number of novels including *On the Road* (1957), which _____ (sell) a million copies in Kerouac's lifetime.

b. Gary Snyder (1930-), the American poet, _____ (spend) his childhood in Oregon. He then _____ (study) Japanese and Chinese at the University of California. From 1956 to 68 he _____ (live) in California. He _____ (do) many different jobs in his life: seaman, logger, carpenter among others. He _____ (write) a number of books of poetry, including *Myths and Texts*, which _____ (be) published in 1960.

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