For questions 1-9, read the text below and decide which answer (A, B, C or D) best fits each gap.

The world's quietest railway station

Some of the world's most heavily used railway stations are (1)…… in Japan. According to (2)……, 45 out of the 51 busiest in the world are in the country. Some 3.6 million passengers travel through the busiest railway station, Shinjuku Station in Tokyo, every (3)…… day.

But surprisingly, this small but (4)…… populated country also has some stations which are hardly used at all. Kyu-Shirataki Station, on the island of Hokkaido is in such a (5)…… place that it was only used by one person for a few years. High school student Kana Harada was a (6)…… passenger before it closed in 2016. The train stopped every morning to take high school student Kana Harada to school, and every afternoon to drop her back at Kyu-Shirataki.

But keeping the station open for just one passenger simply was not (7)…… . Therefore the operator of the line, Hokkaido Railway Company, planned to close the station (8)…… . But when they found out that this would leave Kana with no (9)……, they agreed to keep the line open until she graduated from school. Although trains still use the line, the station itself is now completely abandoned.

1 A established B located C placed D positioned

2 A measurements B numbers C sizes D statistics

3 A individual B one C particular D single

4 A considerably B densely C largely D mainly

5 A far B homeless C remote D separated

6 A common B regular C usual D typical

7 A commercial B profitable C successful D valuable

8 A always B constantly C lastly D permanently

9 A transport B journey C travel D vehicle

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