READING EXERCISE

Read the text below and choose the correct word for each space. For each question, choose the letter next to the correct word –A, B, C, or D.

MOBILE PHONES

Mobile phones (1) _____ (develop) throughout the 20th century. In 1908, an American power company claimed that they had created a wireless phone. The company (2) _____ (accuse) of fraud, but later the accusation (3) _____ (drop).

In 1949, an American company called AT&T (4) _____ (start) in St. Louis, Missouri. There were about 5,000 customers and about 30,000 calls

(5) _____ (make) per week.

At this time, the phones were still not mobile, so the equipment for making these calls (6) _____ (measure) at about 35 kg and had to stay in your house.

Later, several other wireless networks (7) _____ (begin) in Europe, but they weren't compatible with American networks. Service (8) _____ (add) throughout the rest of Europe shortly afterwards.

The idea of cellular towers (9) _____ (introduce) next. At first, each mobile phone (10) _____ (limit) to service by only one cell tower. Then as a new technology (11) _____ (create), people were allowed to transfer their service from tower to tower.

In 1973, the first hand-held, truly mobile cellular phone was invented. Since then, the technology has grown faster and faster until today, mobile phones are so common that nobody thinks about them twice.

1.	a. were developed	b. was developed	c. is developed
2.	a. are accusing	b. was accused	c. were accusing
3.	a. was drop	b. were dropped	c. was dropped
4.	a. were started	b. was started	c. was left
5.	a. were made	b. was made	c. were make
6.	a. was measuring	b. were measured	c. was measured
7.	a. was begun	b. were begin	c. were begun
8.	a. was added	b. weren't add	c. were added
9.	a. was introduced	b. were introduced	c. was introduce
10.	a. was limited	b. were limited	c. were limit
11.	a. were created	b. was created	c. were create

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