

# The Rockies

*Read the text and choose the best word for the blank.*

The Rocky Mountains run almost the length (1) \_\_\_\_\_ North America. They start in the North-west, but lie only a (2) \_\_\_\_\_ hundred miles from the center in more southern areas. Although the Rockies are smaller (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Alps, they are no less wonderful.

There are many roads across the Rockies, (4) \_\_\_\_\_ the best way to see them is to (5) \_\_\_\_\_ by train. You start from Vancouver, (6) \_\_\_\_\_ most attractive of Canada's big cities. Standing with its feet in the water and its head in the mountains, this city (7) \_\_\_\_\_ its residents to ski on slopes just 15 minutes by car from the city (8) \_\_\_\_\_.

Thirty passenger trains a day used to (9) \_\_\_\_\_ off from Vancouver on the cross continent railway. Now there are just three a week, but the ride is still a great adventure. You sleep on board, (10) \_\_\_\_\_ is fun, but travel through some of the best (11) \_\_\_\_\_ at night.

