

VOCABULARY AND EXPRESSION (II. Test for U3)

Choose the one word or phrase - a, b, c or d - that best completes the sentence or substitutes for the underlined word or phrase.

1. Marie Curie was born.....November 7, 1867.
a. in. b. from c. at d. on
2. Computer models help to determine whether a particular area is likely to flood.
a. make up b. find out c. take over d. put up
3. Let me give you a littleabout the president of the company.
a. specialization b. concentration c. background d. degree
4. Jane is always determined to do anything she wants. She's a.....woman.
a. ambitious b. strong-willed c. brilliant d. humane
5. He passed his exams with flying colors.
a. successfully b. difficultly c. badly d. easily
6. She harbored her hope of being a teacher.
a. gave up her hope of being a teacher
b. built her hope of being, a teacher
c. had her hope of being a teacher
d. kept her hope of being, a teacher in her mind
7. He behaved like an adult. I think he is more..... than the other boys at his class.
a. intelligent b. mature c. ambitious d. developed
8. The new road should helptraffic problems.
a. raise b. create c. ease d. cause
9. There is no..... explanation for what happened.
a. scientist b. scientific c. scientifically d. since
10. The new surgeon willher post in May.
a. go on b. get over c. take up d. look after

READING COMPREHENSION (V. Test for unit 3)

A. Choose the one option - a, b, c or d - that best fits each of the numbered blank.

Marie Curie, the Polish-born French (1) was a courageous and determined woman. She left her home for Paris to (2)..... her interest in science. Living in (3)....., she still (4)..... to graduate at the top of her class. She met Pierre Curie (5)..... after graduation and (6) him a year later. Together, Pierre and Marie (7)..... the most famous husband-and-wife (8)..... in science history. They (9)..... the radioactive elements, Polonium and Radium. They (10)..... the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1903.

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| 1. a. biologist | b. Mathematician | c. chemist | d. physicist and chemist |
| 2. a. follow | b. take | c. pursue | d. satisfy |
| 3. a. poverty | b. loneliness | c. wealth | d. difficulty |
| 4. a. made | b. managed | c. harbored | d. worked |
| 5. a. immediately | b. soon | c. shortly | d. rightly |
| 6. a. married | b. left | c. divorced | d. devoted |
| 7. a. built | b. organized | c. established | d. formed |
| 8. a. couple | b. partnership | c. scientists | d. partners |
| 9. a. discovered | b. invented | c. built | d. made |
| 10. a. had awarded | b. awarded | c. were awarded | d. were awarding |

B. Read the passage, then choose the one best answer - a, b, c or d.

Personal computers, or PCs, are an important part of our everyday lives. Many people cannot imagine life without them. One of the most important people in making these machines work is Bill Gates.

Bill Gates was born in 1955 in Washington State. He grew up in a rich family. His parents sent him to a private school. There he met his business partner, Paul Allen. When they were in the eighth grade, they were already writing programs for business computers and making more.

In 1973, Gates was accepted at Harvard University. His parents were happy. They thought he would get over his obsession with computers and become a lawyer like his father. Two years later, Gates dropped out of Harvard to work on a computer program with his friend Allen. They worked eighteen hours a day in a dormitory room at Harvard. They were writing the program that would run one of the first personal computers. In 1975, they created a company called Microsoft to sell their product.

Allen became ill with cancer and left Microsoft in 1983. He recovered a few years later and started his own company. Meanwhile, Microsoft became a giant company. By 1990, at the age of thirty-four, Gates was the youngest billionaire in the history of the United States. He was the "King of Software". He achieved his success with a lot of hard work. For more than ten years, he worked sixteen-hour days, seven days a week. He had a dream and the will to succeed. By 1997, he was the richest man in the United States.

1. According to the writer,
 - a. people cannot live without personal computers
 - b. computers play an important part of our lives
 - c. Bill Gates invented personal computers
 - d. Bill Gates is the most important people in computer science
2. The words 'dropped out of' in line 10 mean
 - a. graduated from
 - b. got over
 - c. took part in
 - d. stopped taking class at
3. According to the passage,
 - a. Bill Gates's parents wanted him to become a computer programmer.
 - b. Bill Gates and Paul Allen created Microsoft because they want to sell their program for personal computers
 - c. Paul Allen left Microsoft because he wanted to start his own company.
 - d. Bill Gates met his business partner at Harvard.
4. How old was Bill Gates when he became the richest man in the United States?
 - a. 34
 - b. 51
 - c. 42
 - d. 44
5. Which of the following is not mentioned in the text?
 - a. In a few years, Microsoft became a very large company.
 - b. Bill Gates and Paul Allen first wrote programs for business computers when they were about fifteen.
 - c. Bill Gates earned his success by working very hard.
 - d. Bill Gates is the richest man in the United States.