

C. READING

I. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

Light pollution is not (1) _____ serious as water or air pollution. (2)____, it is the type of pollution that (3) _____ more in cities than in rural area. In the past, we could sit at night and (4) _____ at glittering stars in the sky and light from objects in the outer space. Nowadays, cities are covered with lights and from buildings, streets, advertisement displays, many of which direct the (5) _____ up to the sky and into many unwanted places. The real problem is that it is very (6) _____ to apply light to almost everything at night. Millions of tons of oil and coal (7) _____ to produce the power to light the sky. Eye strain, (8) _____ of vision and stress are what people may get from the (9) _____ pollution. (10) _____ light at night can harm our eyes and also harm hormones that help us see everything properly.

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| 1. A. more | B. as | C. much | D. many |
| 2. A. However | B. Moreover | C. Therefore | D. So |
| 3. A. occurs | B. does | C. goes | D. makes |
| 4. A. roam | B. stare | C. fly | D. go |
| 5. A. pollution | B. population | C. light | D. air |
| 6. A. wasted | B. wasteful | C. wastes | D. wasting |
| 7. A. used | B. is used | C. are used | D. using |
| 8. A. losing | B. loss | C. lost | D. loose |
| 9. A. light | B. air | C. water | D. noise |
| 10. A. too many | B. so many | C. too much | D. too little |

II. Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C, or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct answer to each of the questions.

Every year, the average temperature of the Earth's surface get a little bit warmer. This gradual trend is called global warming. Warmer weather may sound nice, but global warming is something to be very concerned about.

Scientists are worried that continued warmer temperatures could damage the environment in many devastating ways. Rising temperatures might cause plants and animals to become extinct. They could melt enough polar ice to cause the levels of the sea to rise. Weather patterns could also change. There might be more droughts or serious storms with flooding. In some areas, human diseases could spread.

What is causing global warming? **Humans are mostly to blame.** Pollution from factories and cars add toxic gases to the air. These gases rise to the Earth's atmosphere. As the sun's rays warm the Earth, the gases work much like the glass in a greenhouse. They help trap the heat in the atmosphere and make the Earth grow warmer. That is why they are nicknamed "greenhouse gases".

It is our responsibility to take care of our planet. Global warming is a serious problem with serious consequences. If we want future generations to enjoy their time on Earth, we must act now!

1. Which of the following is NOT a possible effect of global warming?

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| A. Weather patterns changing | B. Plants and animals become extinct |
| C. More polar ice | D. Human diseases spreading |

2. In the sentence: "Warmer weather may sound nice, but global warming is something to be very concerned about" (in paragraph 1), the author suggests that people may not.....

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| A. understand how serious colder weather is | B. take global warming seriously |
| C. care about warmer weather | D. think that warmer weather sounds nice. |

3. The statement that "Humans are mostly to blame" in paragraph 3 suggests that

- A. Humans have been blamed for global warming.

- B. Humans have not been blamed for global warming.
- C. Humans are mostly responsible for global warming.
- D. There are many factors that cause global warming.

4. From the description of greenhouse gases, it can be concluded that a greenhouse is.....

- A. a glass structure
- B. the Earth
- C. a colorful home
- D. a type of gas

5. This passage is mostly about.....

- A. The solutions to global warming
- B. The different types of global warming
- C. The reasons why global warming is not a serious problem.
- D. The effects and causes of global warming.