

PRACTICE 5

Choose the main idea of each group of sentences.

- 1 **A** Children at this age are ready and eager to learn.
 B This is the time when children need to become independent of their parents.
 C The best time to start school is at the age of three or four.
 D Young children need to be with other children of the same age.

- 2 **A** The older you are, the better decisions you will make.
 B Divorces will decrease if people get married when they are older.
 C It is better to be married when you are established in your profession.
 D Young people haven't had enough experience to choose a spouse wisely.

- 3 **A** Nonsmokers can get cancer from secondhand smoke.
 B Many people are allergic to cigarette smoke.
 C Smoking is a public health hazard and should be outlawed.
 D Smoking leaves an unpleasant smell in buildings and buses.

- 4 **A** Cars have made many good contributions to our way of life.
 B Cars make it easy to become familiar with other towns and cities.
 C Cars give people more choices of where they will work and live.
 D Cars make it easier for people to manage their own schedules.

- 5 **A** Cell phones cause drivers to take their eyes off the road.
 B People tend to drive faster when they are talking on cell phones.
 C Drivers aren't aware of surrounding traffic when they are using a cell phone.
 D Cell phone use while driving is very dangerous.