



Read the text and decide which answer (A, B, C, or D) best fits each gap. There is an example at the beginning (0).

A mountain is a landform that (0) *reaches* a high elevation. Elevation is the height of a point on Earth above or below sea level. For a hill or mound to be classified as a mountain, its summit, or (1) point, must be more than a few hundred meters above the land around it. Most mountains do not stand alone. A group of mountains with the same general shape and structure is called a mountain range. Groups of mountain ranges form into what are called mountain systems, which, in turn, can be broken into mountain (2)

Over millions of years, mountains change and take on different forms. Mountains change as the crust is either built up or (3) away by various processes. This process is called mountain (4)..... Some mountains have steep slopes. The peaks are sharp and (5) The valleys are narrow. These mountains are often called “young” because they are formed from new crust. As time passes, a mountain’s peak is worn down by weather conditions. These make the peak more rounded. The slopes become (6) steep. Mountains like these are called “mature” mountains. Some mountains continue to be worn away for a very long time. No buildup occurs. These “old” mountains are almost (7) and have no jagged peaks. They have many rolling hills, and the valleys between these mountains are wide.

Deep inside, the Earth is so (8) hot that everything is melted, or molten. This molten material, or lava, (9) to the Earth’s surface when volcanoes erupt. The lava cools and becomes hard and solid. This happens again and again, collecting (10) there is a volcanic mountain. Mount Fuji in Japan and Mount St. Helens in Washington state, U.S., are volcanic mountains.

0	A	comes	B	<i>reaches</i>	C	arrives	D	rise
1	A	height	B	high	C	higher	D	highest
2	A	circles	B	belts	C	regions	D	bands
3	A	worn	B	warning	C	warned	D	wore
4	A	evolution	B	progress	C	development	D	growth
5	A	smooth	B	level	C	plain	D	jagged
6	A	least	B	more	C	less	D	most
7	A	flat	B	narrow	C	broad	D	elevated
8	A	incredible	B	incredibly	C	incredibility	D	credible
9	A	triggers	B	sends	C	gets up	D	escapes
10	A	before	B	if only	C	until	D	just