

**TOEFL EXERCISE (Skills 13–14):** Choose the letter of the word or group of words that best completes the sentence.

1. When \_\_\_\_ nests during spring nesting season, Canadian geese are fiercely territorial.
  - (A) building
  - (B) are building
  - (C) built
  - (D) are built
2. In 1870, Calvin, along with Adirondack hunter Alvah Dunning, made the first known ascent of Seward Mountain, \_\_\_\_ far from roads or trails.
  - (A) a remote peak
  - (B) it is a remote peak
  - (C) a remote peak is
  - (D) which a remote peak
3. Kokanee salmon begin to deteriorate and die soon \_\_\_\_ at the age of four.
  - (A) they spawn
  - (B) after spawning
  - (C) spawn
  - (D) spawned the salmon
4. \_\_\_\_ behind government secrecy for nearly half a century, the Hanford plant in central Washington produced plutonium for the nuclear weapons of the Cold War.
  - (A) It is hidden
  - (B) Hidden
  - (C) Which is hidden
  - (D) The plant is hiding
5. Until \_\_\_\_ incorrect, astronomers had assumed that the insides of white dwarfs were uniform.
  - (A) they
  - (B) their proof
  - (C) the astronomers recently proven
  - (D) recently proven
6. \_\_\_\_ artifacts from the early Chinese dynasties, numerous archeologists have explored the southern Silk Road.
  - (A) They were searching for
  - (B) It was a search for
  - (C) Searched for
  - (D) Searching for
7. In Hailey, the best-known lecturer was women's rights activist Abigail Scott Duniway of Portland, Oregon, who could usually be persuaded to speak \_\_\_\_ town visiting her son.
  - (A) she was in
  - (B) while in
  - (C) while she was
  - (D) was in
8. The National Restaurant \_\_\_\_ Washington, says that federal efforts to regulate workplace smoking would limit restaurants' ability to respond to the desires of their patrons.
  - (A) Association in
  - (B) Association is in
  - (C) Association which is in
  - (D) Association, based in
9. \_\_\_\_ in North American waterways a little over a decade ago, zebra mussels have already earned a nasty reputation for their expensive habit of clogging water pipes in the Great Lakes area.
  - (A) The first sighting
  - (B) Although first sighted
  - (C) Zebra mussels were first sighted
  - (D) First sighting
10. Small companies may take their goods abroad for trade shows without paying foreign value-added taxes by acquiring \_\_\_\_ an ATA carnet.
  - (A) a document calls
  - (B) a document called
  - (C) calls a document
  - (D) called a document