THE MAGIC OF MANGA



Every year, thousands people in Japan 1_____ millions of yen on a form of entertainment called manga.

Today, the popular industry has become a multi-billion dollar global market. So what exactly is it? Manga is the Japanese word for comics, but the cartoons aren't like the cartoons you are probably 2 _____ to seeing. Instead, they have their own very special 3_____ that involves a combination of a traditional Japanese art form and foreign styles of drawing. So how did manga begin?

As long 4 _____ as the twelfth century Japanese artists were creating funny and satirical paintings. Manga simply follows this tradition. Modem manga, however, really began 5_____ century when an extremely talented artist called Osamu Tezuka became known. Tezuka started out as a doctor, but 6_____ he was studying, his career as an artist really took off. 7 _____ the 1940s, he created an action-adventure drama inspired by Robert Louis Stevenson's book Treasure Island. He called his version New Treasure Island and it was an instant hit. 400,000 copies were sold and it was the start of a manga craze. A bit 8_____ Tezuka made the children's series Astro Boy that's still popular today He's also credited with inventing the film version of manga which became known around the world after 9_____ such as Pokemon.

Today's manga is without 10_____ the most popular form of entertainment in Japan.

1	A produce	B make	C spend	D have
2	A familiar	B used	C well-known	D common
3	A method	B way	C style	D type
4	A ago	B back	C before	D long
5	A in	B at	C last	D on
6	A during	B because	C while	D although
7	A In	B At	C On	D Last
8	A soon	B later	C last	D now
9	A flops	B producers	C blockbusters	D critics
10	A trouble	B truth	C opinion	D doubt



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