Questions 27 to 32 are based on a writer's blog post of her experience with Tik Tok.

Six sentences have been removed from the blog post. Choose from the sentences A to H the one which fits each gap (27 to 32). There are two extra sentences which you do not need to use. Mark your answer on the answer sheet.

Tik Tok and I

When a Tik Tok video first came across my Instagram feed a little over a year ago, I was shocked. It was a video of an attractive teenage girl dancing to a catchy song. I remember thinking that she was just looking for attention.

As time went on, Tik Tok infiltrated more and more aspects of my life. At first, I was waving off (1._____) friends who tried to show me Tik Tok videos. **27** [ ] People in my classes were starting to make half-hearted attempts (2._____) at trendy dances, only to burst out in laughs and keep the video in their drafts.

It became obvious that Tik Tok was not simply about dancing and showing off one's attractiveness (3._____) or popularity. **28** [ ] I bit the bullet (4._____) and made an account. In my thoughts I would delete the app the very same day.

Pretty soon after my account's creation, I had realized the obvious reason (5._____) why Tik Tok was addictive. (6._____) **29** [ ] In reality, Tik Tok achieved something that every social media strives for.

One unique thing about Tik Tok is that anyone can be famous and end up on the *for you* page, which guarantees (7._____) that you are constantly seeing new people who somehow make you laugh all the same. **30** [ ] They are however, people who I have never met in my life. When I feel helpless and insignificant (8._____) in my little slice of the world, Tik Tok connects me to these random people and makes the world feel a bit smaller.

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Tik Tok just feels authentic. (9._____) People do not really share the most filtered videos or perfect aspects of their lives. **31** [ ] They are mostly just teens making fools of themselves, posting basically anything that comes to mind and sharing these things without really expecting much of it.

So why do teens love Tik Tok? In a huge world that emphasizes social circles and popularity, Tik Tok reminds us that we are really not alone. (10._____) **32** [ ] It shows us that we are all pretty similar.

A	Tik Tok was simply enjoyable for a reason I did not yet understand.	**E**	Every day, I see and relate to so many other teens.
B	Most of the videos are not planned or forced.	**F**	The wide range of users help the app to be accessible to adults.
C	I am comforted by the fact that Tik Tok makes us create more funny videos.	**G**	I then watched in vain as they all laughed over the videos together.
D	The app makes sure there are videos for everyone.	**H**	We are reminded that one application is all it takes to connect us.

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