Read the following passage and answer all the questions.

Sonja Henie - Norwegian Queen of the Ice

Sonja Henie was the first famous figure skater. Figure skating is a mixture of dance and skating. She was born in Oslo, Norway, in 1912. Her parents were both very wealthy. They encouraged Sonja to play a lot of different sports. She started doing sport when she was three. She tried tennis and really loved it. When she was six, she borrowed her brother's ice skates and loved that even more. She also tried skiing and horse riding, but her family soon realised that skating was the ideal sport for her. The problem was, she didn't have enough time to train every day in skating and dance. Because of this, her parents took her out of school and she was taught at home.

She attended the 1924 Winter Olympics at the age of 11. She came last but between 1928 and 1936 she won three Olympic gold medals in figure skating. She became famous for the short skirt and white skates, which skaters still wear today. These allowed her to jump higher and turn more.

Sonja moved to Hollywood, USA and appeared in several films, including *Sun Valley Serenade* and *Iceland*. They were all romantic comedies. Her first film, *One in a Million*, made Sonja a huge star overnight. In total, she made 13 Hollywood films. At aged 42, she retired, returned to Norway and started collecting modern art with her husband. When she died in 1969, the collection of paintings and sculpture was given to an art museum in her home town of Oslo.

For questions 1-3, please answer in complete sentences. (2 marks each)

1. How old was Sonja when she first went skating?

2. Why did her parents take her out of school?

3. What kind of Hollywood films did Sonja act in?

For questions 4-8, tick (✓) the box. (1 mark each)

4. Sonja came from a rich family.

   True ☐ False ☐

5. Sonja's first film was called *Sun Valley Serenade*.

   True ☐ False ☐

6. The first sport that Sonja did was

   A horse riding.
   B skiing.
   C tennis.

   A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

7. Sonja won her first Olympic medal in

   A 1924.
   B 1928.
   C 1936.

   A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

8. After her retirement, Sonja started

   A travelling more.
   B collecting works of art.
   C learning how to paint.

   A ☐ B ☐ C ☐

Write the words in the box. (1 mark each)

9. Find the word in the passage which means the **OPPOSITE** of:

   lent ***(paragraph 1)*** ☐

10. Find the word in the passage which means the **SAME** as:

    perfect ***(paragraph 1)*** ☐

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LIVEWORKSHEETS

Read the three advertisements for hotels and answer the questions. For each question choose the correct hotel, A, B or C. You might need to choose each hotel more than once.

A

Alder Hotel
Established 1980

Only five minutes' drive from the city of Combe

Set in beautiful gardens, perfect for long walks

Heated open-air swimming pool (open May to September), sauna, steam room and hot tub all year

Free parking for all guests Well-behaved animals welcome

Close to the racecourse and international golf course

Book a meal at our newly opened restaurant *La Caravelle*.

Saturday stays are subject to a £5 supplementary charge per person.

B

Beech Hotel

We have been offering first rate accommodation since 1999.

Find us in the heart of the city of Combe.

Luxury hotel and cottage-style accommodation are available.

Guide-dogs only No other pets permitted

On-site parking is available. Parking tokens can be bought from reception.

Close to the best shops and restaurants in the town

Please ask at reception for recommendations.

C

Cedar Hotel

A piece of history - our hotel first opened in 1896.

We're next to the train station, just fifteen minutes' walk from the city centre, with views of the old city walls and Combe Castle. Enjoy afternoon tea in our small but beautiful garden.

Well-behaved children are always welcome. Sorry no pets

Large indoor swimming pool and parking available at no charge

Try our award-winning bars and choice of three restaurants.

£120 - £125 per person per night

Which hotel,

Alder	**(A)**
Beech	**(B)**
Cedar	**(C)**

.... is the oldest?	**example**	**C**
.... is in the centre of Combe?	1	
.... has large gardens?	2	
.... has a view of the castle?	3	
.... has an outdoor swimming pool?	4	
.... allows guests to bring a pet?	5	
.... has parking you must pay for?	6	
.... has more than one restaurant?	7	

India Examinations Sample Paper

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