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Choose the word with the underlined part pronounced differently from the rest.

1.	A. t<u>wo</u>	B. sch<u>oo</u>l	C. d<u>oo</u>r	D. p<u>oo</u>l
2.	A. h<u>ea</u>r	B. b<u>ea</u>r	C. w<u>ea</u>r	D. th<u>ere</u>
3.	A. r<u>i</u>ght	B. rec<u>i</u>pe	C. wr<u>i</u>te	D. r<u>i</u>pe
4.	A. co<u>mb</u>	B. cli<u>mb</u>	C. to<u>mb</u>	D. bom<u>b</u>ard
5.	A. b<u>ee</u>n	B. b<u>ea</u>n	C. cr<u>ea</u>te	D. m<u>ea</u>n

Choose the best answer A, B, C or D to complete the sentence.

1. Many young people in rural areas migrate to big cities as they understand that there are better _____ job prospects for them in the city.

A. long-term
B. fast-growing
C. long-lasting
D. well-paid

2. I thoroughly approved _____ the company's decisions.

A. from
B. of
C. on
D. in

3. Recently, companies _____ thinking about moving into space tourism.

A. started
B. have been starting
C. have started
D. have been started

4. It is becoming _____ for people to get rid of stress nowadays.

A. most difficult
B. the more difficult
C. more difficult
D. most and most difficult

5. Mr. Harry _____ three novels and is working on the forth.

A. has been writing
B. has written
C. writes
D. is writing

Read the following passage and mark the letter A, B, C or D on your answer sheet to indicate the correct word or phrase that best fits each of the numbered blanks.

In order to prove that they don't (1)_____the housing problems, governments should encourage property owners to rent out the properties to those without house. In return, can be (2)_____ given to owners in forms of tax relief or subsidies. (3)_____ this is not a complete answer to the problem, it ought to be considered.

1. A. avoid	B. prevent	C. escape	D. hide
2. A. incitement	B. incentives	C. impulse	D. increase
3. A. However	B. Although	C. For example	D. Even if

Circle the correct option (A, B, C or D) to complete each of the following dialogues.

1. Do you fancy going to the cinema?

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_____

A. I love playing sports.
B. Me too!
C. Yeah! Sounds good!
D. Really? I'm not that keen on watching films.

2. Are there any flats to rent in the city center?

_____

A. Well, I've got it.
B. Yes, but they are expensive.
C. Nice. There are some shops nearby.
D. That's fine. I will take it.

Read a text about some young people who write for a TV show and decide if the following statements are true, false or not given by ticking the correct boxes (✓).

Teen writers on TV hit *Catch*

Dan Finelli is a normal teenager from North London; he goes to school, enjoys hanging out with his mates and only occasionally misses his classes. But Dan also happens to be a writer for the popular teen drama, *Catch*. The second series starts this week and the one-hour episode that Dan wrote, his very first for the show, will be on screen later in the year. This will make him one of the youngest writers of a peak-time drama ever.

'What's great about *Catch* is that the characters are exactly like the people around you,' says Dan, who also plays the part of Computer Chris in the show. 'When I'm at school and one of my friend says something funny, I write it down in my notebook and use it later in the script. I never tell them I'm doing it. I just want it to sound as real as possible,' Dan adds.

Catch is about the lives of a group of 16-18-year-olds in a sixth-form college. The school doesn't really exist, but the whole show does feel very true to life. There's an episode every week and each one concentrates on an individual member of the group and tells his or her story.

The idea for the programme came from an unusual source, a father-and-son pair of writers, Ken Thomas and his son, Callum. They took their idea to a TV company and were very surprised when the company said they were keen to make it. Now, Ken and Callum are central members of the writing team but in order to build that team, Ken had to go to theatre companies and writing groups all over London to find both writers and teens to advise on the stories.

		TRUE	FALSE	NOT GIVEN
1.	Dan's first series of the TV programme, *Catch*, brought him both fame and fortune.			
2.	Dan is also one of the actors in *Catch*.			
3.	Dan asks his friends if he can use the actual things they say in his writing.			
4.	*Catch* is about a group of teenagers at a real college.			
5.	Ken Thomas looked for young people to write *Catch* at various places around London.			

Read an article about Elizabeth Taylor and choose the best answer.

Elizabeth Rosemond Taylor was born on February 27, 1932, in London, England. One of film's most celebrated stars, Elizabeth Taylor has **fashioned** a career that's covered more than six decades, accepting roles that have not only showcased her beauty, but her ability to take on emotionally charged characters. Taylor's American parents, both art dealers, were residing in London when she was born. Soon after the outbreak of World War II, the Taylors returned to the United States and settled into their new life in Los Angeles.

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Performance was in Taylor's blood. Her mother had worked as an actress until she married. At the age of 3, the young Taylor started dancing, and eventually gave a recital for Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret. Not long after relocating to California a family friend suggested the Taylors' daughter take a screen test. She soon signed a contract with Universal Studios, and made her screen debut at the age of 10 in There's One Born Every Minute (1942). She followed **that** up with a bigger role in Lassie Come Home (1943) and later The White Cliffs of Dover (1944).

Her breakout role, however, came in 1944 with National Velvet, in a role Elizabeth Taylor spent four months working to get. The film subsequently turned out to be a huge hit that pulled in more than $4 million and made the 12-year-old actress a huge star.

1. Which of the following is NOT true about the Taylors?

A. Her mother used to be an actress before getting married.
B. They lived in London at Taylor's birth.
C. They were originally American.
D. Not until Taylor grew up, her family encouraged her to start with art.

2. The word 'fashioned' in the passage is closest in meaning to _____.

A. adapted
B. ended
C. shaped
D. changed

3. Taylor _____.

A. only accepted the roles to show her beauty
B. gave a performance to the royal when she was small
C. had some roles when she was at the age of 3
D. moved to Los Angeles when World War II broke out.

4. The word 'that' in the passage refers to _____.

A. the age of ten
B. There's One Born Every Minute
C. Universal Studios
D. the contract

5. Her role in National Velvet _____.

A. marked the first enormous success of Taylor
B. didn't help to make a huge amount of money
C. took her little time of working
D. was taken when she was old

For each question, complete the new sentence so that it means the same as the given one. Use the CAPITAL word. Write the missing words in the given spaces.

An example has been done for you.

0. The number of young people working on farms has decreased sharply. DECREASE

--> There has been a sharp decrease in the number of young people working on farms.

1. The house is so spacious that the children can run up and down. ENOUGH

--> _____

2. The best thing for you to do is to ask the teacher. SHOULD

--> _____

3. The air pollution level has increased rapidly since the previous century. INCREASE

--> _____

4. Harmful chemicals released into the environment can cause health problems. RESULT

--> _____

5. Nowadays, many young boys are computer game addicts. ADDICTED

--> _____

Listen to two people talking about important people in their lives and decide whether the statements are true or false. You can listen to the recording TWICE.

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	TRUE	FALSE
1. The girl's next-door neighbour also worked with her mum.		
2. The girl's next-door neighbour has a healthier life style now.		
3. The boy and his brother has better relationship now than in the past.		
4. He doesn't see his brother any longer because he's too busy.		
5. He supports the same football team as his brother.		

Listen to three short conversations and choose the best answer to each question. You can listen to the recording TWICE.

6. Where is the girl's family going to travel?
A. England
B. Italy
C. France
7. How did the boy get to school yesterday?
A. by car
B. by bus
C. by taxi
8. What does the woman want the man to bring home?
A. bread and milk
B. bread and shampoo
C. milk and shampoo

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