Use of English

The History of Aviation



Read the text below, choose the correct answer (A, B, C, D)

For centuries, people dreamed of flying like birds. The first real (1) _____ was made by inventors who built simple gliders, but these machines could not (2) _____ in the air for long.

In 1903, the Wright brothers, Orville and Wilbur, successfully flew the first powered airplane in North Carolina, USA. Their plane, called the Wright Flyer, remained in flight for only 12 seconds, but it was a major (3) _____ in aviation history.

After this success, aviation developed very (4) _____, with flight technology advancing within just a few decades. During World War I and World War II, airplanes became faster and stronger, (5) _____ an important role in transportation and warfare. In 1927, Charles Lindbergh (6) _____ by flying solo across the Atlantic Ocean, and in 1939, the first jet-powered aircraft (7) _____. By the 1950s, commercial air travel became more popular, (8) _____ people to travel long distances much faster than before.

Today, aviation continues to evolve. Modern planes are bigger, safer, and more fuel-efficient. Scientists are now working on electric and hydrogen-powered aircraft to (9) _____ pollution. From the Wright brothers' first flight to supersonic jets and space travel, aviation has changed the way we (10) _____ the world and beyond.

1. _____	2. _____	3. _____	4. _____	5. _____
A) movement	*A) rest*	*A) breakdown*	*A) quickly*	*A) serving*
B) choice	*B) stay*	*B) breakup*	*B) softly*	*B) playing*
C) attempt	*C) stand*	*C) breakage*	*C) hesitantly*	*C) becoming*
D) request	*D) continue*	*D) breakthrough*	*D) gradually*	*D) taking*

6. _____	7. _____	8. _____	9. _____	10. _____
A) made history	*A) stepped away*	*A) complicating*	*A) reduce*	A) *overlook*
B) closed a chapter	*B) stopped short*	*B) restricting*	*B) double*	*B) expand*
C) broke bread	*C) took off*	*C) avoiding*	*C) direct*	*C) explore*
D) lost track	*D) moved aside*	*D) allowing*	*D) cut down*	*D) guide*

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