1 Complete the conversation.

how old / was given / Was it taken / was published / was taken / where was it taken

Adele: Grandma, **(1)** _____ were you in this picture?
And **(2)** _____?

Grandma: I was 21! It **(3)** _____ in my garden. Weren't my roses beautiful?

Adele: Yes, they were! **(4)** _____ for a special reason?

Grandma: Yes, it was! It was the day I **(5)** _____ first prize for a poem that I wrote. It **(6)** _____ in the newspaper!

Adele: That's fantastic! What was the poem about?

Grandma: Roses, of course!



1 Read, choose and complete.

History of the internet

1. In 1969 four important US universities were _____ using this technology.
   a. connect **b.** connected **c.** connecting
2. Its main purposes _____ research, education and providing a communication network.
   a. were **b.** was **c.** is
3. Then in 1972, electronic mail was _____ by Ray Tomlinson
   a. attached **b.** invented **c.** written
4. In 1976 Queen Elizabeth II sent an email and _____ the first state leader to do so.
   a. made **b.** did **c.** became
5. Finally, in 1982 the word _____ was used for the first time.
   a. internet **b.** radio **c.** television

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2 **Read, choose and match.**



1. You don't have to go much further. ☐
2. There aren't many things left. ☐
3. There are lots of different products available. ☐
4. You can buy something here for less than in other places. ☐

1 **Read, choose and complete.**

Not just a lot of hot air!



On 19 September 1783, the Montgolfier brothers' hot-air balloon was **(1)** _____ with a sheep, a duck and a chicken on board. This flight was performed in front **(2)** _____ a crowd at the Royal Palace of Versailles, in France, and **(3)** _____ watched by King Louis XVI and Queen Marie Antoinette. The balloon **(4)** _____ a distance of three kilometres and the flight lasted approximately eight minutes. It **(5)** _____ an altitude of about four-hundred and sixty metres and it managed to land safely. Interestingly, the sheep on board was called 'Montauciel', **(6)** _____ in English means 'climb to the sky'.

1. **a.** flew	**b.** flown	**c.** fly	4. **a.** flew	**b.** flown	**c.** fly
2. **a.** on	**b.** at	**c.** of	5. **a.** got	**b.** reached	**c.** did
3. **a.** were	**b.** is	**c.** was	6. **a.** which	**b.** what	**c.** that

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2 Complete the questions about a mystery object. (5 points)

big	expensive	heavy	quiet	useful	wide

1. How big is it? — It's one of the biggest objects in the kitchen.
2. How _____ is it? — It usually costs a lot of money.
3. How _____ is it? — It doesn't make a lot of noise, really.
4. How _____ is it? — Very! It keeps food fresh and safe to eat.
5. How _____ is it? — It's almost a metre wide.
6. How _____ is it? — I definitely don't want to move it!

The mystery object is: _____

3 Complete with the correct form of the verbs. (7 points)

A short history of writing



Writing **(1)** was invented (invent) thousands of years ago. The earliest examples of writing **(2)** _____ (record) on the walls of caves and tombs. Later, clay tablets **(3)** _____ (use) to keep records. The invention of paper made things easier (and lighter)! Paper **(4)** _____ (not invent) in Egypt; it was invented in China. For a long time, books **(5)** _____ (write) by hand, but the first book **(6)** _____ (print) in 1450. Nowadays, paper **(7)** _____ (use), but more and more writing **(8)** _____ (do) on computers.

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1 25 **Listen and match the sentence halves.** (4 points)

1. Mary Anderson	a. were included on most cars.
2. Her idea	b. was riding in a tram in 1903.
3. A patent for windscreen wipers	c. was born when she noticed the driver had problems seeing in the rain.
4. By 1913, windscreen wipers	d. were operated by hand.
5. The original windscreen wipers	e. was issued in 1905.

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