

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

Humans have been developing technology for a very long time. The ability to design and create tools and devices is considered a definitive aspect of human beings. Many other species behave out of (1) _____, as is the case of bees building hives and beavers constructing dams.

Humans, alternatively, are (2) _____ to use creative and organizational skills to develop new solutions to problems. Tools are objects generated by humans with the (3) _____ of solving problems. Early humans who invented technology did so with the motivation to have the power to change their environments. When technology was invented, people were able to use technology to (4) _____ human needs, wants, and desires.

An example of early technology is fire. There is evidence that humans started using fire in stone hearths approximately 1.5 million years ago. It is thought that, (5) _____ early humans were scared (6) _____ the dangers of fire, they understood that fire could help improve their lives. Fire could provide warmth, scare predators away and be used (7) _____ food.

Clocks, as a technology, were created about five thousand to six thousand years ago in (8) _____ to allow people to organize their time in a more coordinated fashion. The initial clock design used shadows created by the sun to (9) _____ time. Mechanical clocks were developed later, in China. Writing is also an important early human technology and was created more than three thousand years ago. Initially, writing served to track commodities. Writing later became a way to share ideas, record history, and disseminate information, among (10) _____ functions.

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| 1. A. intuition | B. instinct | C. gut | D. mind |
| 2. A. capable | B. likely | C. able | D. possible |
| 3. A. purpose | B. goal | C. view | D. aim |
| 4. A. see | B. face | C. watch | D. meet |
| 5. A. despite | B. because | C. although | D. when |
| 6. A. by | B. to | C. of | D. about |
| 7. A. cooking | B. cook | C. for cooking | D. to cooking |
| 8. A. addition | B. case | C. order | D. regard |
| 9. A. talk | B. say | C. tell | D. speak |
| 10. A. other | B. another | C. others | D. the other |