Reading Explorer 5, Third Edition
Extra Comprehension Questions

Reading 2B: *The Free Soloist*

Choose the best answer for each question.

VOCABULARY

1. The word *meticulous* in paragraph A could best be replaced by _____.
   a. long-term
   b. thorough
   c. tedious
   d. essential

DETAIL

2. The author does NOT mention the fact that _____ made his climb dangerous and difficult.
   a. Honnold's lack of experience
   b. Honnold climbed by himself
   c. Honnold climbed without ropes
   d. Honnold's ankle was injured

SCANNING

3. The first climber to become famous for free soloing a peak in Yosemite was _____.
   a. Paul Preuss
   b. "Hot" Henry Barber
   c. Peter Croft
   d. Alex Honnold

DETAIL

4. For Honnold, what was the most challenging section of the climb?
   a. Boulder Problem
   b. Hollow Flake
   c. Enduro Corner
   d. Freeblast

COHESION

5. Where should this paragraph be added to the passage?

   Once he had chosen the Freerider route, Alex spent hundreds of hours practicing for his climb. Attached to ropes, working out a precisely rehearsed choreography for each section, he memorizing thousands of intricate hand and foot sequences. Afterwards he'd retreat to "the box," Alex's van. (Vans have served as his mobile base camp and home, off and on, for the past 12 years.) There he would record each day's training details in spiralbound notebooks.

   a. after paragraph J
   b. after paragraph K
   c. after paragraph M
   d. after paragraph O

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