Complete the text by putting the correct form of the word in brackets into each gap.

Housework AND history

If you stop to think about it, the history of housework is the history of everything. Housework [1]_____ (CHANGE) an amazing amount in only the last hundred years or so. The [2]_____(INVENT) of electricity was very important, and it led to the [3]_____ (ARRIVE) of the washing machine, the vacuum cleaner, the dishwasher, and so on. Housework [4]_____ (BE) much harder without them fifty years ago. It's not just technology that's different – these days, most husbands [5]_____ (EXPECT) by their wives to share the housework. Overall, then, we can see a great [6]_____ (IMPROVE) in relation to housework, especially for women – although the environmental cost of modern housework is high.

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L'Australie – c'est chic!

One of the most surprising business success [1]____ in Paris these days is the Australian Bookshop. Since the shop opened two years ago, French interest in Australian literature [2]____. Located in the heart of the city's literary district, the shop is [3]____ by Elaine Lewis, from Sydney. Lewis said she couldn't find books by Australian writers on Paris shelves, so she [4]____ to remedy the situation. Angus Mackenzie of the Australian embassy [5]____ surprising that the French want to read Australian books – 'not because the books are not [6]____, but because of the language barrier,' he said. French publisher Marc de Gouvenain thinks the trend is easy to explain, [7]____. 'In Europe, we [8]____ see the landscape with young eyes. Australian authors have a fresh way of seeing things.'

1 a histories
b reports
c stories
d tales

2 a grew
b grows
c has grown
d is growing

3 a carried
b carried out
c conducted
d run

4 a determined
b concluded
c resolved
d solved

5 a finds
b finds it
c thinks that
d thinks this

6 a deserving
b estimable
c worth
d worthy

7 a anyhow
b however
c moreover
d furthermore

8 a any longer
b no longer
c no sooner
d no more

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Complete the text by writing one word only in each gap.

SHOCKING NEWS:
STUDENTS WANT TO TEACH!

Teachers may feel underpaid and unappreciated, but, judging from the results of a recent career survey, they're inspiring [1]____ very tough crowd: teenagers.

The survey found that teaching is a top career choice for teenagers, ranking as high [2]____ doctor – a frequent favourite – and just above lawyer – another popular choice. The survey was based on responses from more [3]____ 1,000 people [4]____ were aged from 13 to 17. The question asked was, 'What kind of work [5]____ you think you will do for a career?' The teenagers were asked [6]____ give their top three choices. The other top ten choices included sports, science, architecture, business, the military, engineering and nursing.

Results have always differed between girls and boys. For example, a military career [7]____ never been a top-ten choice among girls, but it's often popular with boys. [8]____ the other hand, nursing is usually a popular choice with girls, but has never made the top ten with boys.

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