

Writing: Organize Ideas by Cause and Effect

Read the paragraph. Then read each question and circle the correct answer.

(1) *The Kilauea volcano erupted.* (2) *Smoke and ash filled the air.* (3) *Lava flowed out of the volcanic crater and down the side of the mountain.* (4) *The lava flowed across the land, destroying buildings and roads.* (5) *People and animals had to flee to safety.* (6) *Eventually, the lava reach the ocean.* (7) *The hot lava boiled the seawater and created huge clouds of steam.* (8) *The lava cooled and became black lava rock.* (9) *The black lava rock made the island bigger!*

1. What is the best way to revise sentences 1 and 2?
 - A Smoke and ash filled the air and the Kilauea volcano erupted.
 - B The Kilauea volcano erupted, but smoke and ash filled the air.
 - C The Kilauea volcano erupted, filling the air with smoke and ash.
 - D Smoke and ash filled the air, but the Kilauea volcano erupted.
2. What change, if any, should be made in sentence 6?
 - A Change *reach* to *reached*
 - B Change *Eventually* to *First*
 - C Remove the comma after *Eventually*
 - D Make no change
3. What is the best way to revise sentences 8 and 9?
 - A The lava cooled and became black lava rock, making the island bigger!
 - B The island became bigger and the lava cooled and became black lava rock!
 - C The cool lava made the island bigger with black lava rock!
 - D No revision is needed.