

PRACTICE 4

Read each thesis statement and the main ideas that follow. Choose the main idea that does NOT belong.

- 1** In my opinion, laws against smoking in public places will do a lot to discourage this unpleasant and unhealthy habit, and I don't believe any further measures are needed.
A Laws can do a great deal to reduce smoking.
B Laws against smoking are more effective than education, taxes, or anything else.
C Smoking leads to many diseases in addition to cancer.
- 2** Sending children to school at an early age has both advantages and disadvantages.
A In many places there are few or no preschools available.
B Children can learn a lot by being around other children.
C Young children feel insecure when they are away from their parents.
- 3** The Internet is crucial to modern life, and parents and schools can do a lot to make sure children use the Internet safely.
A Although the Internet is widely available, there are still people who don't use it.
B Many schools have developed systems that limit the websites children can access.
C Parents often limit how and when their children can use the Internet.
- 4** I agree that modern technology has made our lives better in many ways.
A Cell phones have greatly improved communication in both our private and professional lives.
B There have always been people who protest any technological change.
C Cars are now much easier and much safer to drive.
- 5** Although many products are tested on animals for safety and efficacy, I believe this is a cruel practice as well as being completely unnecessary.
A Laboratory animals suffer a great deal of pain and discomfort.
B There are other ways to test products besides using animals.
C Both drug and cosmetic companies test their products on animals.