Read the texts below. For questions (1-10) choose the correct answer (A, B, C or D).

THE CRISIS IN THE STREETS

An increasing number of people around the world are sleeping on the streets. This increase has a lot to do with the recent global (1) _____ crisis. Besides pushing those who are already poor over the edge, the crisis also made it very difficult for a large percentage of middle-class families to make ends (2) _____.

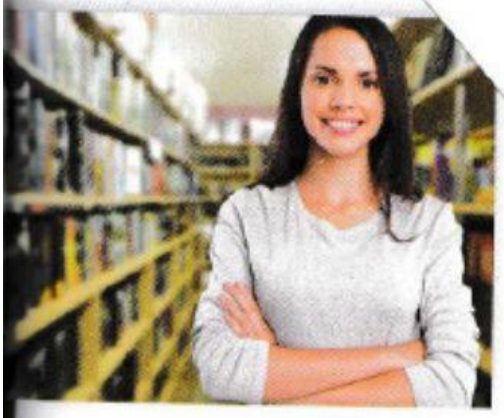
Once people end up on the streets, it is extremely difficult for them to fulfil even basic needs, such as food, warmth, hygiene and somewhere to sleep. Most (3) _____ people head for hostels or night shelters. These serve as a temporary solution for those fortunate enough to find a place. However, the large demand means that there is not enough space to help everyone facing this problem.

The solution does not, however, lie in building more hostels. To deal with this problem and fight social (4) _____, these people need to be provided with support, skills and opportunities to help them find lasting solutions. FEANTSA, which is the only major European network that focuses exclusively on homelessness, does research and aims to make (5) _____ for changes that will genuinely make a difference.



1.	A. economy	B. economic	C. economical	D. economics
2.	A. meet	B. join	C. touch	D. come
3.	A. runaway	B. guilty	C. innocent	D. homeless
4.	A. injustice	B. judgement	C. violence	D. vandalism
5.	A. elections	B. proposals	C. sentences	D. justifications

REAL-LIFE STORIES



Becky is volunteering in a charity shop. Actually, she is one of the 23,000 volunteers that run Oxfam's charity shops in the UK. How has volunteering changed Becky's life?

Becky was a medical student. However, she wasn't happy with the course she (6) _____. When she decided to leave university, she had to find something to do with her time. Becky (7) _____ her local Oxfam shop, so she just went in and asked if (8) _____ volunteer.

Becky is now in charge of the shop's book department. She said that volunteering (9) _____ her the structure she needed to get through a hard time in her life. At the same time, she's very pleased about how her work positively affects the world by supporting Oxfam's projects.

Becky's story teaches us that becoming active members of (10) _____ has multiple benefits. Even the smallest contribution to a good cause can help make a difference in the world, as well as in our personal lives.

6.	A. chose	B. chooses	C. has chosen	D. had chosen
7.	A. have always liked	B. did always like	C. had always liked	D. always likes
8.	A. could she	B. she could	C. she can	D. was she able to
9.	A. gave	B. give	C. given	D. have given
10.	A. social	B. socialise	C. society	D. socially

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