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Read the following text to answer questions number 1 to 4.

Skateboarding

Anybody who is over the age of six knows that there is nowhere safe for skateboarders to skate. This prevents young people from enjoying an active, energetic and adventurous pastime.

Just watch a local street for a short while and note the steady stream of skaters speeding up and down the footpaths. Toddlers can be trampled on and old ladies can be knocked down as they struggle home carrying their cat food from supermarkets.

Skateboarding is a serious sport that improves young people's health. It increases fitness, improves balance and strengthens the joints in knees and ankles. Although it appears to be a solo sport, when groups practice together and compete to perform stunts or runs they form firm friendships.

Young people should be prevented from becoming overweight couch potatoes. If they are actively involved in skating, they do not smoke, take drugs or break laws for fun.

Kids will always seek thrills and excitement. They need to practice their 180s, 360s and Ollie's free from restrictions. We must build skate parks in the suburbs so that streets are safe for small children and senior citizens and skaters have spaces where they can race, chase, speed, and soar towards the sun.

1. Where do the kids usually ride their skateboard?
 - A. In the main roads and foot paths
 - B. In front of the supermarket
 - C. In front of their home
 - D. In the suburbs
 - E. In the park

2. What is the main idea of paragraph 3?
 - A. There is no safe place for skateboarders
 - B. Kids seek an excitement in skate
 - C. The goodness of skateboarding
 - D. The skateboarding is a serious sport
 - E. How to prevent overweight by skateboarding

3. The writer's purpose in writing the text is
 - A. To invite the local teenagers to skate in a park built specifically for skaters
 - B. To convince the readers that they need a safe place for skaters to skate
 - C. To provoke youngsters into the local government policy
 - D. To promote the writer's business of skateboarding class
 - E. To inform parents about the goodness of skateboarding

4. What must we do to let the skaters play?

- A. Join with them anywhere
- B. Give them space in the park
- C. Let them play in the main roads
- D. Let them play in the local street
- E. Build a skate park in the suburbs

Read the following text to answer questions number 5 to 10.

Should Americans be forced to Public Transportation?

First, let me define what the question is and isn't asking. It isn't asking if we should we all abandon cars right now, nor is it asking if we should abandon them completely, nor is it asking if every American should do so. It is asking weather some Americans should have to take public transit some of the time, and I would say yes.

Oil use and pollution aside, in some cities like Los Angeles and New York there just isn't room for any more roads, so in order for large cities to grow, they need more people to take public transit or risk permanent traffic jam. One bus can safely hold 40 people so even at half capacity that's nearly 20 cars' worth of space in traffic cleared up, and nearly 20 parking spaces that don't need to built.

There are a lot of people that can take with transit little inconvenience but simply don't because they never have in the past. If residents in areas with plenty of transit had to buy transit passes as part of their property taxes then they would have little excuse not to bus occasionally. QA number of universities already bundle a 'U-Pass' with their tuition feeds, forcing their students to take the bus. When given the change the majority of those students have voted to keep these programs.

A similar system in apartments where a portion of the tenants are not issued parking spaces in exchange for a discount on their rent would also be community car to several apartment tenants that arrange a schedule for the car, and this program gets many positive reviews.

So yes, I would say that Americans should be forced to use public transit, as Americans whom are already forced to do so find that it works well for them.

5. What does writer suggest?

- A. Americans should learn to use public transportation
- B. Americans should give up their car
- C. Americans should be forced to use public transportation
- D. The government should limit the number cars
- E. The government should charge extra taxes for those who uses cars

6. The following is one of the writer's suggestions in forcing people to use Public Transportation

- A. Make people buy transit passes as part of their property taxes
- B. Banning the use of cars

- C. Stop automobile productions
- D. Fine people who do not use public transportation
- E. Limit the number of gasoline

7. What is the purpose of the article?

- A. Defining the functions of public transportation
- B. Arguing that Americans should not use public transportation
- C. Suggesting American the ways to use public transportation
- D. Asking for more public transportation
- E. Suggesting that Americans should be forced to use public transportation

8. What is the function of the first paragraph?

- A. Repeating the thesis or proposal
- B. Stating the proposal
- C. Stating the reasons behind the thesis
- D. Describing the problem
- E. Giving argument

9. In the article you find the word transit a few times. What does the underlined word mean?

- A. Stop
- B. Transportation
- C. Exit
- D. Entrance
- E. Bus Stop

10. What the function of the last paragraph?

- A. Describing the problem
- B. Stating the reasons behind the thesis
- C. Giving arguments
- D. Stating the proposal
- E. Giving recommendation